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IL DUCE CALLS ON NEW 'WONDER MAN'

SPANISH
RESCUE
BRITISH CREW

The Spanish freighter Navemar radioed yesterday that she rescued 28 seamen from the British freighter Palmella, sunk by a submarine 120 miles off the Portuguese coast on Thursday night.—Reuter.

Secret British Weapon

The Germans have discovered 'our secret' weapon, judging from a leading article in the "Lokal Anzeiger" yesterday.

The paper says: "The question we must ask ourselves is, how can Londoners withstand the repeated raids?"

"Is their capacity for suffering unlimited, or are Londoners must heroes?"

"We think it is just the English nature. The average Englishman is a fatalist."

This is almost as good as the Rome story on the reason why the Greeks did not crumple up before the Italian attack—because of the Greeks' lack of education!—Reuter.

THROWING DOWN THE GAUNTLET

"Such a lean is nothing but challenging war with Japan," declared the Tokyo newspaper "Hochi Shimbun" yesterday, commenting in an editorial on the decision of the United States to grant a loan of U.S.\$100,000,000 to China.

"It is like throwing bombs against the foundation work for establishment of a new order in East Asia and has given an unforgettable and unpleasant impression to the Japanese people."

The "Hochi" advocates the further strengthening of relations with the Axis powers, as well as an early adjustment of relations with Soviet Russia.—Reuter.

HEAVY RAF RAIDS

British bombers attacked enemy aerodromes in occupied Belgium and Northern France on Friday night, it was announced in London yesterday, says Reuter.

The attacks lasted several hours, according to an Air Ministry announcement, which adds that the raids were carried out by strong forces of R.A.F. bombers which also attacked the Channel ports.

The raids started at nightfall and went on till several hours after midnight. Two of our aircraft are missing.—Reuter.

Dramatic Action Likely In Albania And In Egypt

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

AN EARLY COUNTER-ATTACK IN ALBANIA AND BREAKING OF THE ENNUI WHICH HAS HIT THE PROGRAMME FOR THE DRIVE IN EGYPT IS FORESHADOWED BY THE SUBSTITUTION OF GENERAL HUGO CAVALLERO FOR MARSHAL BADOGLIO AS COMMANDER OF ALL THE ITALIAN ARMED FORCES.

Emerging from a relatively obscure post, General Cavallero is reputed to be Italy's ace military organiser and is expected to develop and direct large-scale blows in the immediate future.

No reason for the change in commanders has yet been given officially in Rome but it is generally taken to signify imminent major Italian attacks.

A vigorous and sweeping re-organisation of the whole Italian military organisation is expected. General Cavallero, a dozen years ago worked out the complete overhauling of the Italian war machine.

Meanwhile Italy is faced with another serious disaster.

The Greek forces are now reported to be threatening the Albanian oil fields after the occupation of Santi Quaranta and Argirokastro and are still hard on the heels of the retreating Fascists.

Only Oil Source

While the Greek legions, supported from the air, are hotly pursuing the Italians in south Albania, their comrades in the north are smashing bitter resistance in a score of new advances menacing the oil wells between the Devol and Shkumbi Rivers, Italy's only source of natural petroleum.

It is reported that in the Argirokastro area the famous killed Greek troops after a fierce bayonet charge, conquered the crack Italian 11th Alpini Regiment, capturing 1,000 and killing the rest.

This operation is said to have

MONGOLIA MANOEUVRES

THE "RED STAR," ORGAN OF THE SOVIET ARMY, YESTERDAY REVEALED THAT THE RUSSIAN WINTER MANOEUVRES ARE TO BE HELD NEAR THE MONGOLIAN BORDER.

It is here that the Japanese are to keep troops to guard against Communism, under the new treaty with the Wang Ching-wai regime.—Reuter.

GROWING DISCORD IN ITALY

(By Reuter's Chief Diplomatic Correspondent)

THE RETIREMENT of the Commander-in-Chief of the Italian forces in the Aegean, General de Vecchi, "at his own request," is another significant demonstration of growing disorganisation in the body politic and military in Italy.

General de Vecchi has been more a politician than a soldier but has been in command of the Dodecanese area for nearly five years.

Since the outbreak of war he seems to have observed masterly inactivity except for a floating raid by destroyers on Samos.

It has been some doubt as to whether Marshal Badoglio's retirement was voluntary or not. It will be dispelled by this second dismissal of a high commanding officer.

It would have been too great

split the Italian retreat into two separate routes.

Numerous prisoners, including high officers, were taken as the Fascists on both fronts fled headlong under murderous bombing and machine-gunning from Greek and British planes.

The whole Italian right wing has crumpled in Albania after the evacuation of Santi Quaranta.—International News Service.

NEW DISCRETION IN TOKYO FORESHADOWED

JAPAN'S APPOINTMENT of a diplomat to succeed a businessman as envoy to the Netherlands East Indies is being interpreted in Washington, when added to the preparations for a Franco-Japanese conference in Tokyo, as confirmation of the belief that Japan is likely to refrain from pushing too aggressively her drive southwards from China.

One factor demanding the exercise of a little more discretion is believed to be Moscow's statement that there will be no change in her China policy.

This appears to leave Russo-Japanese relations where they have long been—in a state of uncertainty requiring watchfulness, and certainly demanding the retention of a large Japanese army on the Manchurian frontiers.

Reports from the Orient reaching Washington yesterday

BRITAIN'S
MOTOR
CYCLIST
TROOPS



The Northumberland Fusiliers who had the honour and distinction to be the first British troops to enter into Belgium are now reformed and ready to play their part when the need arises. As a fast mobile reconnaissance unit, they are in a position to live up to their years old motto "Quo Fata Vocant" (Where the fates call).—(Copyright, Fox).

ROOSEVELT THROWS ONUS OF WAR AID ON CONGRESS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

HIGH OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON DISCLOSED YESTERDAY THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IS DETERMINED TO HAVE CONGRESS RE-DEFINE UNITED STATES POLICY ON FINANCIAL AND OTHER AID TO BE GIVEN TO BRITAIN.

The disclosure followed a conference between Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of Treasury, and Sir Frederick Phillips, Under-Secretary of the British Treasury, at which Mr. Morgenthau asked for a "balance sheet" of British assets, which is to be furnished at another conference to-morrow.

Mr. Morgenthau also conferred with the Argentine Ambassador, Senor Felipe Esplá, and the manager of the Argentine Central Bank, Senor Paul Prebisch, on the \$100,000,000 loan which is being made as a pattern for other loans to Latin-America.

The Argentine credit is coincidental with credits of 100,000,000 Argentine pesos, advanced to Britain on foodstuffs and designed to tie Argentina closer to United States plans for Western Hemisphere defence, as well as indirectly to aid Britain.

Credit Contracts Signed

Both the Argentine and China credit contracts will be signed next week. President Roosevelt approved both before his Caribbean cruise.

Upon his return, President Roosevelt expects Mr. Morgenthau and Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, to have full information on what credits Britain needs.

Many suggestions on means of evading the Johnson Act and Neutrality Act, such as a huge loan to Canada, have been put forward but President Roosevelt is reported to have told his advisors he only wants suggestions for clear-cut Congressional expression of intent aid the Government is willing to give Britain.

It is understood the President will submit his case in his annual message to the new Congress in January.—International News Service.

MAIDSTONE GOES OVER FOUR TIMES

Aiming originally to raise £250,000 in its war weapons week Maidstone, in Kent, has raised over a million pounds, says a British Wireless message from London.

NAZI MYSTERY SHIP

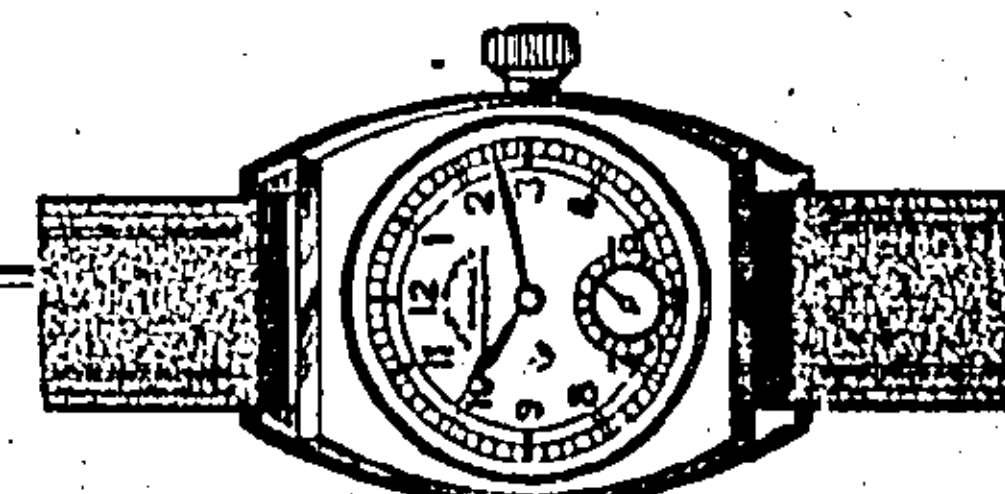
The German sea raider that is prowling in southern Atlantic and Pacific waters laying mines and trying to waylay merchantmen is a huge re-built passenger liner equipped for a three years' voyage.

This is according to Captain Cornelius Arundel, a British skipper who was imprisoned in the raider for 64 days after the sinking of his ship, the Haxby, near Bermuda in April by the raider which left Hamburg on April 6.

The raider fired without warning, killing 16 of the Haxby's crew. She set the Haxby on fire and took the 24 survivors on board.

Captain Arundel, in an interview in New York yesterday, said the raider was well over 10,000 tons and carried six guns and a huge supply of mines.

She changed her appearance daily, with the aid of their steel plates and the repainting of her superstructure, as well as her nationality.—Reuter.



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RAPID EXPANSION OF R.A.F.

The R.A.F. is again calling for volunteers, it was announced in London yesterday, owing to the larger number of 'planes being produced.—Reuter.

Crucial Talks Opened

Sir Frederick Phillips, Under-Secretary of the British Treasury, has had an important talk with Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the U.S. Treasury, in Washington.

Sir Frederick told newsmen he would see Mr. Morgenthau again on Monday, and said he planned to spend a week each in Washington, New York and Canada.

He added there were many questions to be considered at future conferences with Mr. Morgenthau.

Asked about the suggestion that Britain should sell her possessions in the Western Hemisphere instead of seeking loans, Sir Frederick replied that this was outside the scope of his authority. He dealt only in financial matters.

Asked if his conference with Mr. Morgenthau included any reference to the unpaid British War Debt, Sir Frederick replied no.—Reuter.

NO EXPORTS TO JAPAN

The Canadian Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, said in Ottawa yesterday that no Canadian nickel had been exported to Japan for nearly a year.—Reuter.

SYRIA ALL FOR BRITAIN

AS THE GREEKS SWEEP ON TO FURTHER SUCCESS, PRO-ALLIED SYMPATHIES IN SYRIA INCREASE BOTH AMONG THE NATIVE POPULATION AND DEMOBILISED FRENCH SOLDIERS, ACCORDING TO TRAVELLERS ARRIVING IN CAIRO YESTERDAY FROM BEIRUT.

Spontaneous pro-British demonstrations recently occurred in a Beirut cinema.

When the Union Jack appeared on the screen during a feature film, the audience broke into enthusiastic applause which was continued until the management showed the scene a second time.—Reuter.

Startling Rumours Of Japanese Naval Threat

M.C.L. BAZAAR SUCCESS

Despite the fact that three other bazaars were being held yesterday, that organised by the St. Paul's Girls College in aid of the Ministering Children's League was a great success, over \$2,000 being netted during the day.

The bazaar was opened by Miss Tsang Po-shan, M.A., graduate of Westfield College, London, and principal of the Yee Fong College in Chungking.

Declaring the sale open, Miss Tsang said: "I particularly appreciate the spirit of the school in having the sale in aid of the local poor, at a time when things are uncertain both at home and abroad and the students and staff are having ahead of them the terminal examination."

From both the spiritual and material side, the sale is excellent. I am sure you will appreciate both and do your best to help. Furthermore you are not only helping but are deriving a triple pleasure in buying; you are helping the poor, the refugees and the wounded; you will give pleasure to your friends by giving them Xmas presents; you will also give pleasure to the young ladies at the stalls — they have worked so hard and so well and certainly deserve rewards. Surely you will not deny yourself the three-fold pleasure in purchasing.

KAI TAK STUDENTS UNION

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

TO PROMOTE FRIENDSHIP, TO MAINTAIN CONTACT BETWEEN PAST AND PRESENT STUDENTS AND TO ADVANCE SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE OF AERONAUTICS, STUDENTS IN THE FAR EAST FLYING SCHOOL AT KAI TAK HAVE ORGANISED A STUDENTS' UNION.

A meeting was recently held and some 50 students joined the organisation which was named the Far East Flying School Students' Union, and to celebrate the inauguration, a tea party will be held in the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel, at 4 p.m. to-day.

One of the patrons of the Union is Flight-Lieutenant A. J. R. Moss, Superintendent of the Kai Tak Air Port.

The following officials were elected to serve the Union:— President: Mr. Leung Hoi, Vice-President: Mr. C. Y. Ng, Hon. Secretary: Mr. P. S. Koh, Hon. Treasurer: Mr. M. K. Luk, Committee: Messrs. J. R. Wingard, H. K. Wong, Y. Y. Ku, P. K. Law and Y. S. Yeung.

At this afternoon's function, members will farewell eight members who have just completed their courses.

H.E. ENTERTAINS BOY SCOUTS

Some 500 boy scouts were the guests of H.E. Lieutenant-General E. F. Norton, the Acting Governor, at tea in Mountain Lodge yesterday afternoon.

The affair was completely informal.

TWO ENEMY BOMBERS SHOT DOWN

Two enemy bombers were shot down over Britain by R.A.F. fighters yesterday. Enemy activity during the day was on a small scale.—Reuter.

FUN-FAIR AT CHRIST CHURCH

IN ORDER TO RAISE FURTHER FUNDS TO ENSURE THE PARISH'S FINANCIAL SAFETY FOR THE YEAR, CHRIST CHURCH, KOWLOON TONG, HELD A "FUN-FAIR" AND SALE-OF-WORK IN THEIR CHURCH GROUNDS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, AND A LARGE CROWD TOOK FULL ADVANTAGE OF THE FINE WEATHER TO TURN OUT AND HELP THE WORTHY CAUSE.

Christ Church Parish is a young parish and is not endowed in any way, so that various special functions are held each year to raise the money to help it pay its way. Yesterday's "fun-fair" culminated the campaign for funds, and it is hoped that when the proceeds are checked over, at least another \$1,000 will have been added to the \$2,400 raised by two earlier concerts and a dance.

The fair was held under the patronage of Lieut.-Gen. E. F. Norton, the Acting Governor, and was opened by Miss Rosamund Kung, daughter of Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Finance in the National Government of China. She flew down from Chungking in order to be present.

In addition to all the favourite side-shows — coconut shies, skittles, "Aunt Sally" and so on — as well as a number of new attractions thought up for the occasion — there were a large number of stalls selling useful, attractive articles.

For instance, despite a lot of hard work for various war organisations, the Guild of Martha and Mary were able to provide a large variety of knitted goods, which were well up to the standard of previous Christ Church fetes.

The "Lucky Stall" was another popular stall. For 50 cents or a \$1, "lucky dippers" had the chance of actually getting something worth far more. Other stalls sold home produce and sweets of different sorts.

The stalls were set up in the Vicarage itself, while the side-shows covered the ground between the Vicarage and the Church.

Late in the afternoon, the most popular rendezvous proved to be the Rev. J. C. L. Wong's house, where tea was being served.

REVOLVERS FOUND AT D.B.S.

Clearing a blocked drain at the Diocesan Boys' School yesterday afternoon, two Sanitary coolies discovered three revolvers and 15 bullets under some sand.

They were later sent to the Police Station where an examination disclosed the firearms to be damaged beyond repair.

GRAVE INTERNAL DISPUTES IN JAPAN

MOSCOW REPORTS that Soviet policy towards China remains unchanged have created satisfaction in Washington where the news confirms the belief expressed at the time that Japan's injection of anti-Communist sentiment into her treaties with Wang Ching-wei could do her no good and possibly much damage.

The Moscow statement of policy seems to be the first fruits accruing to that error of judgment, and in face of the Soviet statement observers in Washington believe Japan will be in no position to withdraw any of the many troops the state of her relations with Russia compels her to maintain on the borders of Manchuria.

The situation now created does not seem to have improved the chances of the new Japanese Ambassador to Russia, General Yoshitatsu Tatekawa, to effect a rapprochement with Moscow.

In addition, it is reported in Washington, Berlin's inability to persuade Moscow to accept such a rapprochement is having a bad effect on Tokyo's previous beliefs in the power of the Axis.

These matters, plus the Italian reverses, which reports in Washington indicate may yet have catastrophic proportions in their internal results, and the German failure to subdue England, would account for some of the worries of the Konoys regime, which are stated to be serious.

In view of the reported dissatisfaction in Japan over Prince Konoys's policies, the failure of Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, to secure any diplomatic successes or to persuade for many weeks any Japanese to accept the Washington ambassadorship, might easily lead to yet another change in the Tokyo Government in the near future, it is thought in Washington.

At any rate, informed American circles believe Japan is far too divided internally to proceed further with her dreams of empire for some time.

Serious Konoys Worries
Some quarters in Washington claim to have received private information that the division between the Japanese army and navy continues to widen and the recently feared of another army revolt, such as the 1936 uprising, caused several warships to be placed in Tokyo Bay with their guns commanding army establishments ashore. — Reuter.

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DOUBLE MURDER SEQUEL

Ho Sung-hei, 22, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday, with the murder of Woo Tung-chiu, 28, accountant of the Chung Hwa Book Company, on Thursday.

It was alleged that defendant attacked the deceased with a chopper at No. 3, Gilman's Bazaar.

Defendant was also alleged to have been responsible for the death of another Chinese employee of the company.

He was remanded for one week. Inspector L. R. Whant is in charge of the case.

CHINESE WEDDING

The wedding took place yesterday before Mr. Lau Wai-chi, Member of the Executive Committee of the National Government, as witness at the Gloucester Hotel, of Mr. Yip Yin-fong and Miss Seto Yim Ping.

The bride was formerly a brilliant student of St. Mary's School, Shinghai, and her uncle, Mr. Seto Chun Tung, was Chief Manager of the Canton Sugar Factory.

The bridegroom is the Assistant Manager of Tong Glinwin & Co. A reception was held in the Hotel, and many well-known personages including Mr. Sun Sun, Mrs. Sun, Mr. Wong Hon-leung, Dr. Li Shu-fun, Mr. Chou Tin-ping, and Mr. Chan Tit-yat were present.

YENCHING DANCE
THE YENCHING UNIVERSITY ALUMNI SUPPER DANCE WAS HELD IN THE ROOF GARDEN, HONG KONG HOTEL, LAST NIGHT.

Dr. W. W. Yen, former Ambassador to the Soviet, was present, and addressed the large gathering.

A cabaret programme was provided, in which Miss Tam Kung-pi rendered a tap-dance, followed by Miss Li Ling-huan, Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Ip gave an exhibition of the large,

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CLOTHING BRITAIN'S HOME GUARD



A cutter at work with his machine which cuts 150 suits a time. (Copyright, Fox.)

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EARLY CLOSING RELIEF PETITION
(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

On behalf of the Chinese business community, the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce will, in the next few days, petition Government to modify the regulations under the "Early Closing" Ordinance, which requires all shops to be closed at 8 p.m.

Owing to the coming Christmas, New Year and Chinese (Lunar) New Year holidays, Chinese merchants, shop-keepers, and the big department stores, have stressed the necessity of remaining open for a longer period at night to cope with the rush of shoppers.

The Governor has power to modify the regulations, and it was indicated yesterday that a petition of the nature described above would probably be favourably considered by Government.

CHINA AIRPLANE FUND CAMPAIGN

More than U.S.\$5,000,000 and 1,000,000 pesos have been raised in America and the Philippines respectively for the purchase of aeroplanes for China, declared Mr. Chen Ching-yun, member of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee, who is back in Hong Kong after a tour supervising the Aeroplane Fund Campaign. He will shortly proceed to Chungking to submit a report on his mission. — Central News.

Riley recently appeared before the United States Court in Shanghai on charges of operating gambling places and offices.

Riley pleaded guilty to the information filed by Mr. Charles Richardson, special assistant to the District Attorney, on condition that Mr. Richardson was able to prove defendant is an American citizen.

Riley contended he is a Chinese citizen, possessing a passport issued by the Chinese Government, although Shanghai gossip had long held him to be a Chilean.

Lunch Flee
Riley appeared before the Court again on Wednesday in the morning session but failed to appear in the afternoon and has not been seen since.

Mr. Richardson said yesterday he had not looked very far into the matter but there were undoubtedly other charges to which would face any American who helped Riley either in making a getaway or remaining at liberty. — Reuter.

POLICE SHOOTING STRAY DOGS

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The extensive Mannesmann Rohrenwerke armaments factories at Dusseldorf were heavily attacked while a large part of the installations in Cologne's river port area were reported to be on fire by pilots returning after a particularly intensive raid.

Elsewhere coal gas plants and railways were successfully bombed.

Naval ship-building yards were bombed. These are among the most important yards in the most important yards in peace time visits by non-German subjects are strictly prohibited.

At Vejle Island, off the Norwegian coast, the harbour, and munition dump were visited and the result was a huge explosion in the dump.

On four days in the week the submarine base at Lorient, in unoccupied France, was bombed. — Reuter.

THRILLING CRIPPLED

SAGA OF DESTROYER REVEALED

BEHIND THE BRIEF announcement made by the Admiralty in London yesterday that the destroyer H.M.S. Kelly is now back in commission, lies one of the most thrilling stories of the war at sea — the saga of a 91-hour trip by the destroyer, crippled and sinking, from the German coast to the safety of a British port.

Only yesterday was it revealed that H.M.S. Kelly made a thrilling trip after being torpedoed, in the course of which she was attacked by aircraft and was rammed by a German E-boat in heavy fog, as long ago as last May.

Kelly was escorted back to the English coast by two destroyers of the same flotilla, Bulldog and Kandahar, and, after seven months in the dockyard, is now back on active service.

Kelly was leader of a flotilla of British destroyers which were engaged in operations against enemy minelayers on the German coast when she was torpedoed and badly damaged by a Nazi E-boat.

The action occurred during twilight when a blurred object was sighted from the destroyer's bridge. A minute or two later the track of a torpedo was seen, followed by an explosion under the bridge.

Hole Down To Keel

The explosion tore a large hole down to the keel and opened up the forward boiler room to the sea, and the vessel was soon enveloped in a cloud of steam. All in the boiler room were killed.

Kelly was taken in tow, in thick fog, by Bulldog, while all movable top-weight was thrown overboard. After 12 hours of slow steaming towards England a Nazi E-boat, travelling at 40 knots, appeared out of the fog, struck Bulldog, bounced off her and hit Kelly and caulked off into the fog.

When last seen the German crew were shouting for help, and judging by the amount of debris the E-boat left behind she must have foundered.

Wounded Transferred

At this stage Kelly's wounded were transferred to Kandahar, and the voyage proceeded, with the lame duck still in tow of Bulldog.

Their adventures were only just beginning and they soon experienced the first of a series of all attacks by Nazi bombers, all of which were repulsed without damage to the destroyers.

Next trial confronting the destroyers were two German U-boats, which were spotted directly ahead.

Bulldog and Kelly providing a slitting target for the underwater craft, the latter vessel was abandoned and the crew transferred to Bulldog.

Chain Patrol

The Navy had not given up the fight to save Kelly, however, and all night Bulldog, Kandahar and other destroyers steamed round the crippled warship in a chain patrol.

With the dawn came evidence that the U-boats had left the scene, and the long tow was continued, Kelly arriving safely at an English port after 91 hours at sea. — Reuter.

PACIFIST BUTCHER DEFEATED

THE TENTH "STOP-THE-WAR" CANDIDATE DURING THE PRESENT CONFLICT LOST HIS DEPOSIT IN A BY-ELECTION AT NORTHAMPTON YESTERDAY WHEN MR. SEAMARK, WHO DESCRIBED HIMSELF AS A CHRISTIAN PACIFIST, POLLED ONLY 1,000-ODD VOTES AND FORFEITED HIS DEPOSIT OF £150. HE IS A BUTCHER BY TRADE.

Folling resulted as follows:— Mr. Summers (Cons.) 16,587 Mr. Seamark (Christian Pacifist) 1,107 Conservative majority 15,480 Figures at the General Election were:—

Mr. Manningham Buller (Cons.) 25,438 Mr. Paget (Lab.) 23,993 Conservative majority 1,445 —British Wireless.

GINLING COLLEGE JUBILEE

"It is no wonder that when a visitor went to speak to the first group of eight women, that he stretched his imagination and said: 'I see in front of me hundreds of outstanding women going out into the world to shoulder heavy responsibilities for your fellow women.' It is true to fact today, twenty-five years later," declared Mrs. W. S. New, when she reviewed the history of the Ginling Girls' College, the 25th anniversary of which was celebrated by the Alumnae of the Hong Kong Branch, in the English Methodist Church Hall, yesterday afternoon.

The celebrations were preceded by a Thanksgiving Service conducted by the Rev. J. E. Sandbach, and an address by Mrs. T. Ma, after which Mrs. W. S. New reviewed the history of the College.

Bishop R. O. Hall followed with a short speech, at the conclusion of which Mrs. Frank Kwok made a report on the College Fund.

H.K. MAN SECURES R.A.F. COMMISSION

Stephen Grove, of Messrs. Thomson and Co., who has acted on various occasions as Treasurer of Kowloon Cricket Club, received papers recently notifying him that his application for a commission in the Royal Air Force had been approved.

He left in the uniform of a Pilot Officer in the course of the week for an R.A.F. Base for advanced flying training.

Grove was second-in-command of the local Volunteer Air Arm.

WANG CHING-WEI DENOUNCED

Various military and political leaders in Yunnan, Szechuen and Sikong provinces, including General Lung Yun, General Liu Wenhui, General Chang Chun and General Tung Hsi-hou, yesterday issued a circular telegram denouncing Wang Ching-wei and pledging their loyalty to the Central Government in its present fight of the war of resistance. — Reuter.

BURMA GOODWILL MISSION

A goodwill mission of Burmese pressmen, comprising nine journalists, will shortly visit Chungking, Chinese reports stated yesterday.

The party is scheduled to leave Burma on December 20 en route to China. — Reuter.

The Chinese Australasian Association are holding their first annual general meeting at 8 p.m. next Saturday at the Grand Hotel.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

FOSTER'S LAGER PINTS

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5,000-TON MOLLER SHIP TORPEDOED

Reported To Be Victim Of Italian Submarine In Atlantic

BREACH BETWEEN BADOGLIO AND MUSSOLINI

Marshal Badoglio's resignation marks a real breach between him and Mussolini, commented John Evans, former A.P. correspondent in Rome, in New York yesterday.

In Italian minds, he says, the removal of Badoglio from control can hardly do less than diminish confidence.—Reuter.

U.S. DEAL WITH MEXICO

Twelve over-age destroyers are said to be involved in a "destroyers for naval bases" deal which the United States is about to conclude with Mexico, it was stated in New York yesterday.

Cables to the "New York Times" from Mexico City state that the information is based on an "official source" and adds that the deal will follow the lines of that between the United States and Britain.

It is stated a formal agreement will be signed in Washington and "it is believed the bases will be leased not ceded and at least one will be a highly strategic base on the Pacific coast."—Reuter.

VIOLENT ANTI-VICHY CAMPAIGN

A violent press and radio campaign in German-occupied France against the Vichy Government is now under way, says a despatch to the Free French news agency in London.

While compliments are showered on Marshal Petain, insults are heaped down on the heads of his cabinet, who are accused of all those perversions of justice and administrative corruption which

Crew From Shanghai

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

"THE S.S. LILLIAN MOLLER has been sunk by an Italian submarine in the Atlantic."

This was the brief message received by the "Sunday Herald" yesterday, nothing being mentioned regarding the fate of the crew.

As far as can be ascertained locally, the ship was not carrying any passengers, the crew comprised:

Captain W. S. Fowler, Chief Officer G. Smith, Second-Officer E. Deeley, Chief-Engineer J. A. E. Park, Second-Engineer W. Wachowicz, Third-Engineer M. Mihaloff, Wireless-Operator F. Nicholas and H. MacDonald, and Third-Officer Joseph Sung.

The entire crew are from Shanghai, the Captain and Chief-Engineer being originally from Australia.

The vessel is well-known along the China coast, having, before the outbreak of the war, been on the Far East run. Messrs. Mollers, Limited, owners of the vessel, stated yesterday that they had no confirmation of the loss of the ship. The vessel which is of 4,800 tonnage, was built in 1913 by Sir John Llang and Sons, Limited, in Sunderland. It was registered in Shanghai and flew the British flag.



Royal Engineers of the 8th Army Command have been engaged in bridging exercises for which their regiment is famous. Their pontoon was slung across a river 100 feet wide. When completed, the bridge was tested by a convey of army lorries. Photo shows troops alighting a pontoon into the river.—(Copyright, Fox.)

INTENSE UNREST IN ITALY

Intense unrest is reported to be spreading in Italy as news of the campaign in Greece comes through.

There are also reports of sabotage in districts around Trieste and Fiume.

A 250-ton crane has been destroyed and two submarines and 11 Duce's private pleasure yachts have been damaged.

In Southern Italy, there are an increasing number of reports indicating the unpopularity of the war.

Riots have taken place here and there, and the British air raids are seriously disturbing the morale of the ordinary folk.

So seriously is the situation developing that several Fascist party organisers have been recalled from abroad.—Reuter.

POLICE SERGEANT ROBBED

Sgt. Manning, of the Police, residing at No. 28, Hankow Road, has reported the theft of jewellery valued at \$14, between 7 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. on Friday.

The world has come to expect of the Nazis.

The German-controlled newspaper "Völkische Freiheit" may provide the clue when it says that the attitude of Vichy is making political collaboration with Germany more and more difficult. It is not yet clear whether M. Laval is included in the campaign or whether he is regarded as having inspired it.—Reuter.

REAL CHAMPION OF NEW ORDER IN EUROPE

COMMENT UPON Hitler's so-called "new order," which excites sympathetic interest in London for its independence and shrewd penetration of what is likewise regarded by British commentators as a cynical sham, is made by the authoritative Istanbul newspaper "Yeni Sabah."

This newspaper observes: "What is known in Turkey about the 'new order' makes it impossible for the Turks to subscribe to it whether it is considered as a philosophical or an economic system.

GAP ROAD ROBBERY SEQUEL

Mak Hung, 25, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday with larceny of \$1,507, a gold pocket watch, valued at \$300, cigarette lighters, a fountain pen and a safety razor from No. 21, Gap Road, first floor, the residence of Mr. Ho Hoi-chau, accountant.

Defendant, who was alternatively charged with receiving, was remanded for 72 hours.

Detective-Sergeant V. Morrison is in charge of the case.

HEALTH RETURN

Forty-one cases of tuberculosis, five of dysentery, three of typhoid, two of chicken-pox and one each of measles and diphtheria were notified on Friday.

FINLAND SHORT OF FOOD AND CLOTHING

An acute shortage of food and clothing in Finland was reported by the crew of the Finnish freighter Wirta on arrival in New York yesterday after a 21-day voyage from Petsamo.

One seaman declared little meat was available in Finland while tobacco and salt were recently restricted.—Reuter.

CRUEL BEATING OF A WARD

Before Major A. N. Macfadyen yesterday, Wong Pui-chau, 30, married woman, of No. 295, Cheungshawan Road, was fined \$50 or three months' hard labour for possession of an unregistered ward, a nine-year-old girl, and with ill-treating her.

Inspector H. W. Fraser, of the S.C.A., said a Chinese Lady Inspector visited accused's address on Friday and found the girl alone in the house. She took her to the S.C.A. and on the way, the woman, who was also taken to the S.C.A.

The girl alleged that she was sold to the accused for \$10 by her mother in the country and had been struck by her on various occasions with a feather duster. Inspector Fraser produced a medical certificate which stated that multiple bruises were found all over the girl's body.

HOPE OF SOLUTION OF THE INDIAN DEAD LOCK

IN CONNECTION WITH reports of anxiety among moderate political elements in India that the inflexible attitude of the older party leaders and the continued disagreements between the Congress Party and the Muslim League may impede the contribution which public opinion in India, taken as a whole and without distinction of community, wishes to see India make towards the overthrow of Hitlerism, the London "Times" yesterday devoted its leading article to the "Indian Deadlock."

"The Times" suggests there is an obvious need of a new approach to the problem principally, though not entirely, from the Indian side.

On the part of the Government and Parliament in London, "The Times" thinks, there should be a fuller explanation of concessions which have been offered and the interpretation should not again have to wait until Indian politicians have refused concessions which may not have been fully explained to them—a reference to the fact that British Government's proposals last August were turned down by Maulana Kalam Azad and his colleagues of the Congress Party before Mr. Amery had explained their import more fully in his statement at Westminster.

Hope Of Solution
"The Times" sees a hope of solution of the present deadlock in

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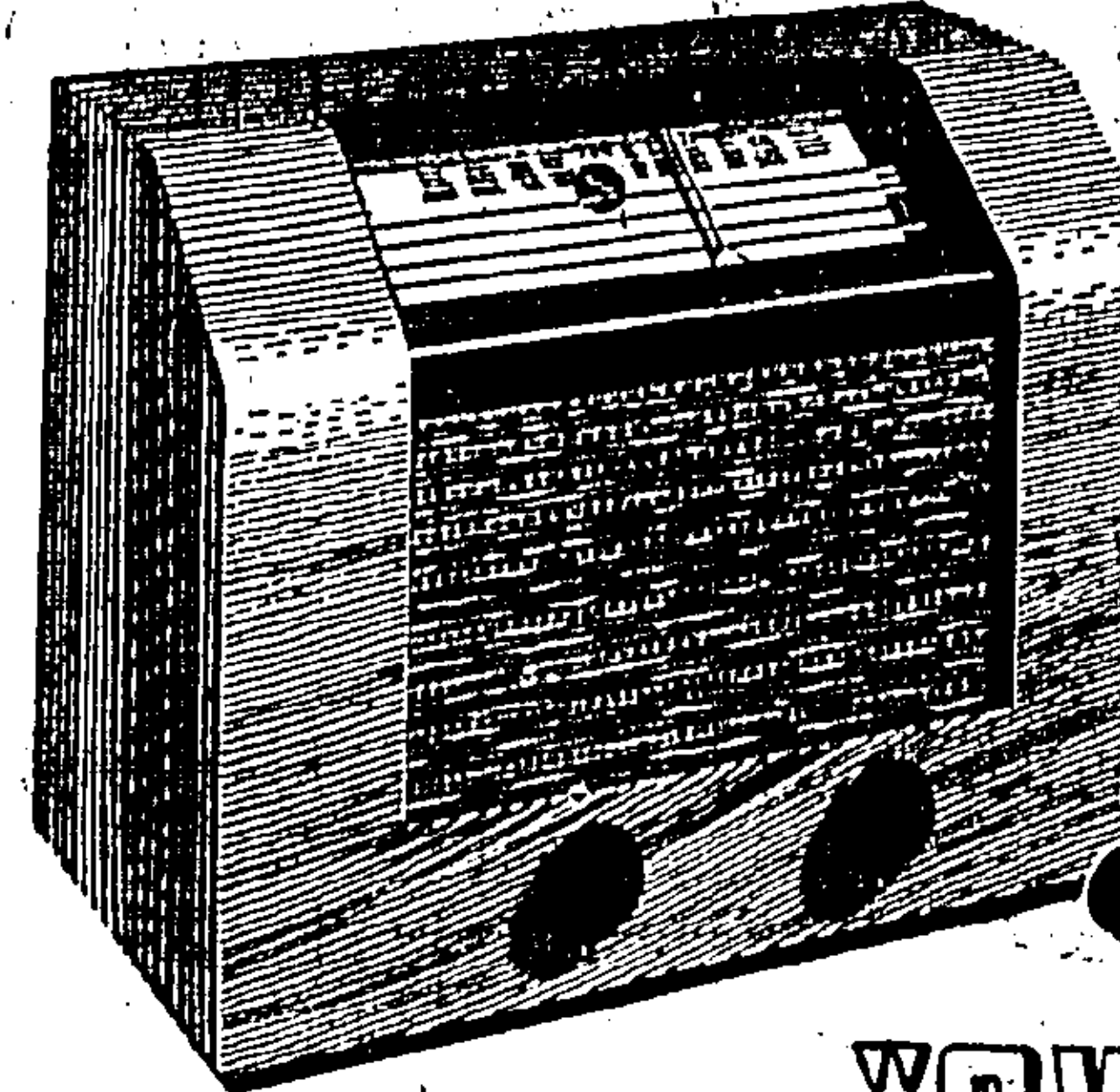
CHEUNG HING-CHAU, 33, WAS CHARGED BEFORE MR. G. T. LOWRY YESTERDAY MORNING WITH THEFT OF \$100, FROM A 42-YEAR-OLD WOMAN, WONG SEE, AT THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK ON NOVEMBER 22.

Detective-Sergeant W. Summers said that the woman went to the bank to cash a cheque. She met defendant in the hall made, and he offered to cash the cheque for her. After cashing the cheque, he disappeared with the money.

On Friday, he was seen in the hall of the bank and was arrested. He was remanded for a week to enable him to raise money to compensate the victim.

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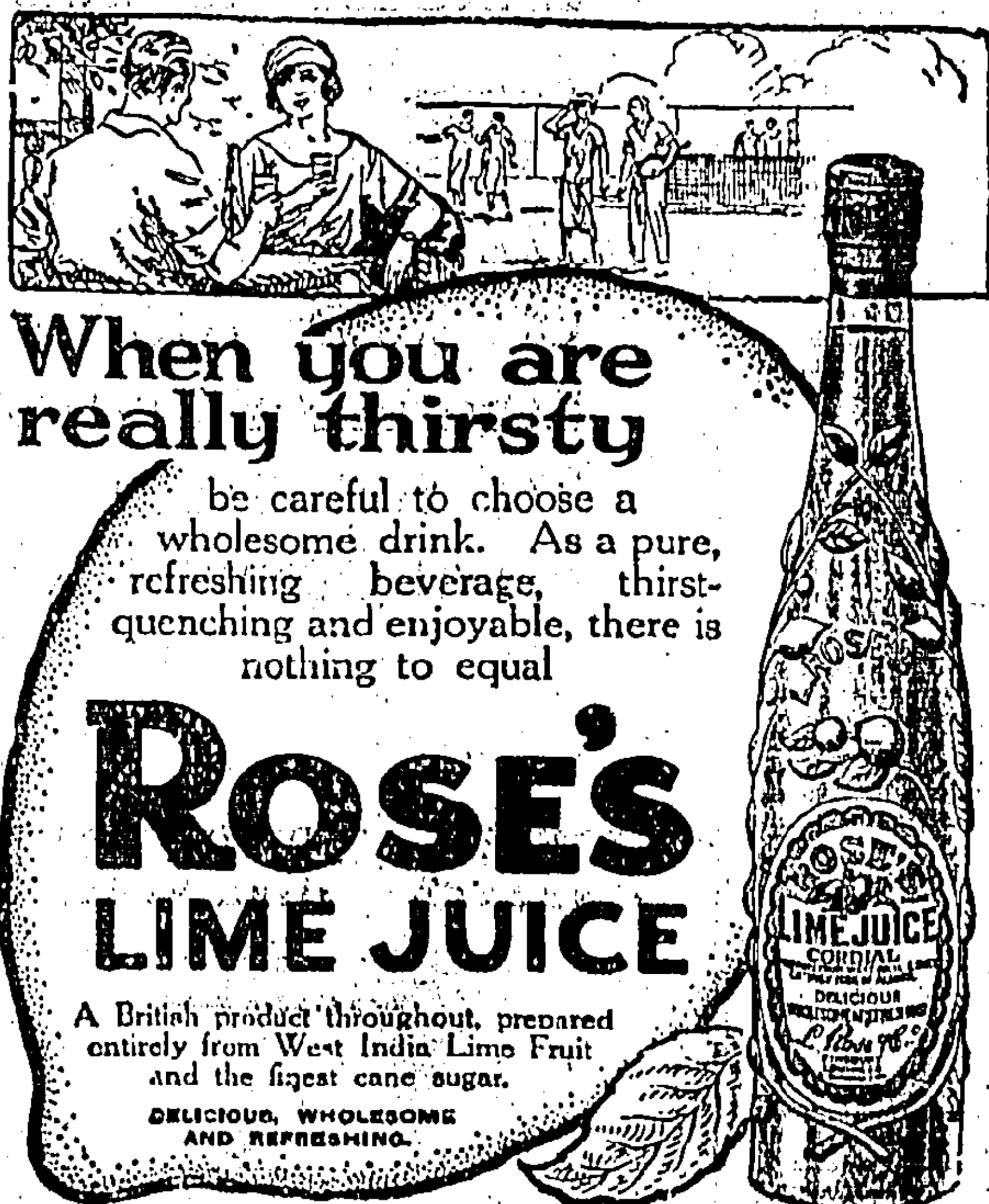
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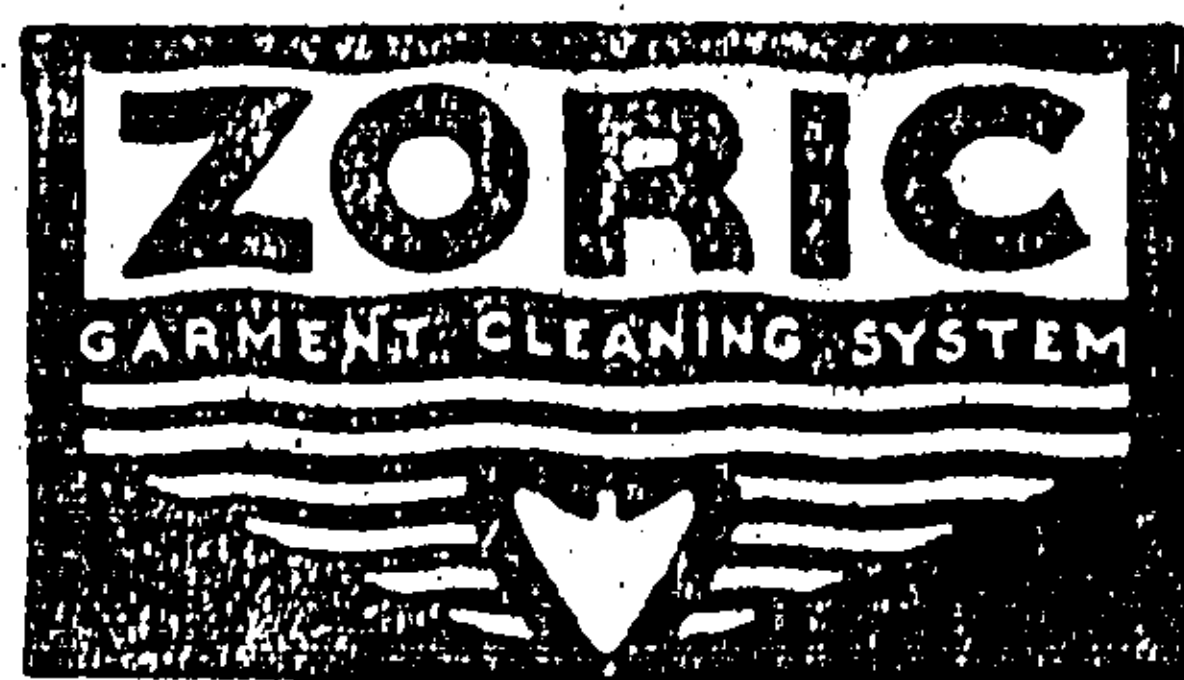
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THE German occupation of Rumania may be interpreted as a check to Russia, which started the ball-rolling by marching into Bessarabia and is on intimate terms with Bulgaria; as a necessary measure to guard the oil wells and support the puppet Government against a population which is bitterly hostile to the puppet; to launch operations, threatening Yugoslavia, Turkey, and even Iraq, and the Mosul oilfields. The supposed number of Germans in Rumania has been magnified or minimised to suit these various hypotheses.

None of them can be dismissed as impossible. But there are varying degrees of probability. It is improbable that Hitler will undertake any large-scale winter campaign in the Balkans or through Anatolia, if Yugoslavia, and Turkey are hostile and have bled them even the passive support of Russia, which has rather ostentatiously announced when she has not been informed before-hand of German moves.

The Russian Enigma

It is improbable that Russia will connive at any scheme which aims at delivering Constantinople and the Straits into the hands of Germany and Italy. In the early days of Bolshevism Lenin and Trotsky were as firm as the old Tsarists in declaring that Russia had not lost and would never lose her interest in the control of the Straits. She could not do so without sacrificing her obvious interests, to say nothing of her age-long traditions.

Stalin's policy hitherto has been a coolly realistic pursuit of Russian interests qualified by a desire not to come into conflict with Germany. How exactly the two things will work out at any given moment no one can predict. All we can say is that he is beyond the blandishments of diplomacy or any inducements that at the moment we can offer him, in competition with our enemy. We are to Russia, as she is to us, one of the imponderables which cannot be weighed in the ordinary diplomatic scales. At this moment I should imagine that she is watching with special interest the increasing cooperation of British Americans in the Far East, and considering the part which she will play if we and the United States have an agreed policy in regard to China and Japan.

On this assumption Near East, Middle East, and Far East must be grouped together in any forecast of what is likely to happen in either of these regions. We may be sure that President Roosevelt's ringing defiance of Nazi threats and bluff have made a profound impression equally in Berlin and Moscow.

A Practical Conclusion

The practical point for us is that all the hypotheses about German intentions lead to the same conclusion, namely, that we should do our utmost to strengthen our Army, Navy, and Air Force in the Middle East. We have good ground for hoping that any thrust to the South will, like the thrust to the North, be brought up against the barrier of British sea and air power. The brilliant achievements of the Navy in the Mediterranean encourage confidence in this respect. But the reinforcement of the Middle East is the special duty of this moment.

General Wavell and General Wilson, who commands in Egypt, are two soldiers whose handling of the military situation in recent months has inspired great confidence not only among the British

but in Egypt, Palestine, and throughout the Arabic world.

The Turks and Greeks keep a bold front. Undoubtedly they express the all but universal feeling of resentment among the Balkan nations at German aggression. Here our part is to keep repeating that we will fulfil to the letter all the pledges we have given and to show by deeds that we are in a position to do so. For this purpose the vigorous action of the Royal Navy in the Mediterranean is of more value than dozens of diplomatic dispatches. In the meantime the need of reinforcing air-power in this region lends emphasis to Mr. Devlin's appeal to the workers to maintain and increase production in spite of the difficulties of these times.

From this point of view the continued bombing of London and British cities is of much greater than local significance. It is, no doubt, in part a reprisal for the heavy damage that we are inflicting on Berlin and German cities. Its random and indiscriminate character suggests blind wrath, hitting anywhere, anyhow, so long as it inflicts injury and suffering. But it is also quite certainly a deliberate attempt both to slow down production and to compel us to keep at home aircraft which we should otherwise be free to send

**Mr. J. A.
SPENDER
On War Aims**

abroad. It is as certain as anything can be that we are day by day inflicting more damage on German production than the Germans are inflicting on ours, but we have to reckon with the probability that the more damaging are our strokes the severer will be the return blows, and we should explore all the possibilities of parrying them by new devices.

War Aims

Mr. Churchill's answer about war aims naturally does not give satisfaction to those who wish to "plan" the future, not only for Britain but for all the world. This is the way of the Dictators, and the first thing, in my view, is to make clear that it is not our democratic way. We are not, like Hitler, endeavouring to impose a "new order" of British design on our European neighbours; we are endeavouring, first of all, to save our own liberty and to restore theirs. Their liberty must include the sharing of their own destiny, provided always that they co-operate in the common defence of liberty against tyranny.

The proviso is essential. Lincoln said at a critical moment in the American Civil War that the United States could not be half-slave and half-free, and we are learning by terrible experience that what he said for his own country is true of Europe to-day.

The Federal Way

When we say that we are fighting for our survival as a free country, it is implicit in this statement that none of our neighbours shall be in a position to continue the assault on liberty. The world we contemplate is a world for free men to live in and build for the future in peace. There can be no peace so long as potential Hitlers and Mussolinis remain in a position to renew the attack on their neighbours. The ways and means

of preventing them will, I hope and believe, be largely the growth of experience in the war.

There could, for example, be no better contribution to "Federal Union" than the pooling of resources for mutual defence recently achieved by the United States, Britain and Canada. Here, for the first time, is shown the way to break down the obstacle of "sovereignty" which worked so disastrously before the war to isolate and divide the smaller nations and leave them at the mercy of the Dictators. Lord Lothian, who has long been a student of this subject, took back this sheet with him on his visit to London. It is worth more than all the plans and constitutions which have been written on paper. Indeed, a most notable victory over prejudice and precedent.

This also will be the right method for economic planning. To forecast the economic condition of the world when this war is over is beyond the capacity of the statesman, but the plans in advance of known time is the way of the dictator, not of the statesman. But the war itself will lay bare the whole economic structure, national and international, and will drive us to new experiments and expedients, some of which may be only temporary, but others of which may have permanent value.

Nazis' New Order

Again, when we speak of this war being a conflict between democracy and tyranny, liberty and slavery, there is no better way of giving reality and meaning to these words than by watching the proceedings of the dictators in the countries which they have temporarily subdued. According to their own account, they are not merely occupying territory, as most conquerors hitherto have done, with the intention of restoring it when the peace terms have been settled and indemnities paid; they are installing themselves permanently in it and preparing plans for its future government. They are not merely keeping order, but instituting a "new order" in which each of the conquered countries shall have its part assigned to it by its conquerors.

What is this "new order?" Its final shape is still nebulous, but there is no doubt about its first step. That is to mould each country, as it is conquered, to the pattern of Berlin—to extinguish freedom of speech and writing, to substitute for parliaments and other

free institutions the whole apparatus of tyranny with soldiers and secret police as its agents, and the proscription and persecution of all individuals whom the Dictators think dangerous as its method. "Assimilation" is the word. All are to be "assimilated" to the Nazi doctrine, which regards them as cogs in a German machine.

Systematic Plunder

What is the result? Day by day impartial neutral correspondents are painting the picture for us. First it is a story of starved submission by the conquered, as of people caught helpless in some sudden cataclysm of nature, next a gradual passive resistance to indignities felt to be intolerable by self-respecting men and women, then a more active and secret police, whose behaviour aggravates the mischief and spreads chaos and misery beyond reckoning. Everywhere there is systematic plundering which leaves the local population half starved and ruins the industry by the expropriation of raw material. The system varies from the cruel terrorism practised in Poland to the apparently deliberate disorganisation practised in France, but nowhere has the conqueror shown any intelligent or humane idea of government beyond crushing the spirit and trampling down the resistance of the people whom he has in his power.

Indeed, we may invert the famous Benthamite formula and say that Hitler has created the greatest unhappiness of the greatest number in the shortest time recorded in history. Apart from its cruelty, it is the gross inefficiency of his methods which may well strike any impartial observer. As time goes on the exhaustion of German resources in the struggle, with far-spreading passive resistance, may be one of the major factors in the war, but, in the meantime, if anything were needed to bring home to us the realities for which we are fighting, it would be the contrast between these methods of tyranny pursuing power for its own sake and as an object in itself and our ideal of free government seeking the happiness and well-being of individual men and women. Freedom ceases to be a negative abstraction when we see its opposite.

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A week ago to-day, five young Frenchmen sailed from Hong Kong for Africa in a British ship, the first batch to be sent by the local association of Free Frenchmen. One of these was a resident of Hong Kong, the first local Frenchman to join the Free French Armies in French Equatorial Africa—M. A. D. Bain, who is now on his way to Brazzaville. Like many another Frenchman with General De Gaulle, he is following



M. A. D. BAIN

In his father's footsteps, for in the 1914-1918 war his father, Dr. Ad. Bain, was a volunteer in the French Army when it left the Germans and drove them out of France.

BORN in Paris, Bain was educated at the Henry IV College and at the Patrice Curatier in Brittany. He served five years with the French Navy and two years with the French Air Force, in which he held the rank of captain for the past five years. He has been in contact with the Chinese Maritime Customs, being stationed for most of the time in Kwangtung Province. Some months ago, he resigned from the Customs service in order to join the Saigon office of the Standard Oil, but the state of affairs in Indo-China prevented his taking up his post, and although he is now 34 years of age, he decided to do "his bit" for France and freedom by joining General De Gaulle's growing armies of free Frenchmen as an infantryman. A widower, Bain is the son of Madame Lebon-Bain and the step-son of M. L. Bain, the local French architect, who is also President of the Free French Association in Hong Kong.

HE is the son of Doctor Adolphe Leon-Morice Bain, founder and director of the famous Pasteur Institute in Cairo, Egypt, from 1905 to 1922. Dr. Bain volunteered for active service in 1914, and, with the rank of Major, Doctor Bain, Chinese, organized and directed the Hospital St. Genevieve, No. 413, at Rennes. Later, he was posted to the 25th Regiment of Infantry, being wounded at Varge Mouline.

WHEN he had recovered from his wound, Dr. Bain was appointed Director of the Military Hospital at Rennes, being promoted to Major-Docour de Classe. His next task was the organizing of the Cevenolles Camp military hospital, of which he was in charge until the arrival of the American Army.

IN March, 1919, Dr. Bain was sent back to Cairo to resume his post of Director of the Pasteur Institute there, and he remained at his post until 1922, when he retired from the service of the Egyptian Government.

ment with a pension. For his brilliant research work while connected with the Institute in Cairo, Dr. Bain was made a Chevalier of the Legion d'honneur.

A Chinese Admiral

BEING Admiral of the Chinese Navy might seem to be a "sinecure," like that of Regent Horthy, Admiral of the Hungarian Navy (four or five patrol boats)—all uniform and gold braid, nice salary and no work. As the "China Fortnightly" points out in its latest issue, "China's navy was a standing jest. But of many a quip, it was treated with contempt and indignity. Favourite joke was that the fleet was only good for fighting pirate junks." But—although it has not exactly made the headlines—China's Navy has played a useful and honourable role in the war against Japan (which has the third largest fleet in the world) and now of world credit for this goes to Admiral Chen Shao-kwan, ex-Minister of Navy and now Chief of Naval Operations.

MANY of China's naval officers have been trained by officers of the Royal Navy, and it is reflecting no discredit on the gallant officers and crews of ships like the Rawalpindi and Jervis Bay to say that the men of the Chinese Navy have fought just as gallantly against great odds as they did. We were really amazed when we examined the record. Take Captain Shi Shih-chun, 43-year old commander of the 1915-built 830-ton sloop Chung Shan. He was ordered to guard the light boom at Chinkow, single-handed as the Chinese troops withdrew from Hankow. Enemy warships were reported steaming full speed ahead towards the boom.

LATE that afternoon, a squadron of Japanese bombers approached the boom and attacked the little float, raining down showers of heavy bombs. Until the very end, the Chung Shan, pitiful few anti-aircraft guns blazed away. Captain Shi personally directing the fire. Bombs soon struck the ship and he was seriously wounded in both legs when the bridge was hit. He remained at his post and when at last the Chung Shan's guns fell silent her captain, too, was silent—for ever.

BUT what exactly has the Chinese Navy done? Actually, it has put up quite an astounding record. In 1927, General Chiang Kai-shek drew up a programme to give China a fleet with a minimum of 600,000 tons, including cruisers, aircraft carriers and so on. This was never achieved, although two years later the Chinese Government requested the services of a British Naval Mission and several officers were sent. But when the war broke out in 1937, China's Navy had a total tonnage of only around 41,000 tons—less than that of one British battle-cruiser, H.M.S. Hood. This fleet of 47 small and fast, obsolete ships, including half a dozen very small cruisers, gunboats and sloops, was entrusted with the defence of some 2,800 miles of coast-line against the third largest navy in the world (Japan only sent about a third of her fleet to China waters—but this "third" was about 10 times the size of the entire Chinese Navy).

DAVID and Goliath didn't even enter into the picture—but it could do, the Chinese Navy under Admiral Chen Shao-kwan did do. Not a ship surrendered to the enemy, though many were sunk in action against combined naval and air bombardments. For two months, the best ships in the Chinese Navy—five cruisers (only two of modern construction) and a sloop—helped defend the Kiangyin boom and prevented the Japanese Fleet from sailing up the Yangtze. On two days at least, 70 Japanese aircraft bombed them for six hours at a time.

THAT boom, incidentally, is worthy of special mention. Admiral Chen, 52 years old, was then Minister of Navy. Trained in the United States, he saw active service during the Great War on British warships, and just before the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese War he was investigating naval trends in Europe. Tipped off that trouble was brewing at home, he flew hurriedly back to China, arriving at Nanking just in time to receive instructions to "build" a boom at Kiangyin, which is roughly midway between Shanghai and Nanking.

WITHIN 24 hours, under his personal supervision, the boom was built—the whole 100 feet of it—on August 12, the day before hostilities broke out around Shanghai. All watermarks, buoys and other navigation signs were removed. The boom held until the Japanese finally landed troops on the coast for south of Shanghai and broke through the line of the Chinese forces at Shanghai. More bombs were laid in the Yangtze, while Chinese-made (and highly efficient) mines were sewn liberally. During the six months leading up to the fall of Hankow, these mines and naval guns taken ashore and set up as shore batteries took quite a toll of enemy craft, both warships and transports. At the moment, that about sums up the present activity of the Chinese Navy, but according to the

"China Fortnightly," the goal of the fleet of 600,000 tons has not been forgotten, and one day China hopes to have a fleet equal to Japan's China Fleet—although at present there seems little prospect of such a happy state of affairs.

Head-Aches

WHEN the Fascists started to invade Greece and actually had gotten a few miles into Greek territory before they began what in any other war would be a "strategic withdrawal," we predicted in this column that sub-editors and others would have difficulty with place-names in this theatre of war, owing to the variations permitted in spelling. "Yannina," for instance, also passing muster as "Janina" and "Iannina."

BUT that was nothing compared with the difficulties that have arisen now that the war there is back where it ought to be—in one of Mussolini's preserves—and our agencies and Special War Correspondents have not helped busy sub-editors working against the clock to push the news out to the hungry public as soon as it arrives. We checked up various names on a large-scale atlas and in a world gazetteer during the week, as we were getting a bit confused as to exactly where the fighting was taking place, there being so much variety in the names of the towns.

IN MANY cases, of course, there are alternative spellings for any town picked at random, and it is more or less up to the man on the spot to pick the one he prefers. But that does not make it any easier at this end, and so, for the benefit of others who



Sir John Latham, the first Australian Minister to Japan, photographed on his arrival at Queen's Pier, (King's Studio).

may have been puzzled as to just what the names of the places the Italians have been retreating from are, we append the following little list. In each case, the correct or approved name of the town or other geographical spot is given first; the variations follow:

Argyrolastro: — Argyrolastro, Argykastro, Argyro-Castro, Eba an—El Basan, Elbasan, El Basen.
Konispolis: — Konispolis, Konispol, Konispolis.
Koriza: — Koren, Koritsa, Lake Ochrida: — Lake Ochrida, Ohrida, Ochrid, Ochrida.
Moskopollis: — Mosheopolis, Moskopollis, Moscopolis, Moscopollis.
Pogradec: — Pogradec, Pogradec, Pogradec, Pogradec.
Santi Quaranta: — Santo Quaranta, Santo Quaranto, Santo Quaranta, Porto Edda.
Skumbi River: — Skumba, Skumbi.

"Espionage!"

AN American writer suggests that an interesting side-light on the successful episode at Taranto is contained in the announcement that some of the Fleet Air Arm planes were operating from the aircraft carrier Illustrious. This was one of five 23,000-ton aircraft carriers laid down before the war began. "Belonging as they do to the same building programme," he continues, "they would presumably all be finished about the same time, and therefore this first official illumination of the entry of the Illustrious into active service probably means that the war strength of aircraft carriers has been increased by five, which catches out very handsomely the loss of the Courageous and the Glorious." The 1939 programme called for the construction of yet another.

HE continues that "the five battleships of the King George V class, 35,000 tons, are also required to be on active service now, bringing the total battle line to 19 ships, with the two giant Temeraires, 42,000 tons, gleaming completion." Quite frankly, we don't (obviously) know whether or not this chum knows what he's writing about, or whether he is being a little over-optimistic—but Mr. Churchill let drop some pertinent hints rather day, didn't he?

THE Italians certainly look a trifle beat at Taranto, and were afraid (poor, way of saying "defeated") that neutral countries and commentators have not been slow in rubbing it in. For instance, that same American writer comments:—"The Italians will have to think about turning their three remaining battleships into submarines. They would be in their element there at least." And one evening recently we heard Chungking Radio chirping that, in the event of major hostilities out in these here parts against a powerful neighbour the Japanese would be "able to do just about as much as the Italians did at Taranto!"

Marshal Badoglio

MARSHAL Badoglio, whose resignation from his post of Chief of General Staff of the Italian Forces was officially announced on Friday by Rome in the somewhat revealing phrase of "relieved at his own request," is a man of strong character—as perhaps this resignation of his shows. He has always been a man of independent views and was never completely a Fascist. Indeed, there have been serious differences of opinion between him and Mussolini on several occasions.

ROME, of course, has been insisting that he has resigned because he is 60 years old and he was making room for a younger man—a mere strapping of 60, London, however, was prompt to draw attention to the possibility—or probability, rather—that he quit because he disapproved of Mussolini's handling of the campaign in Greece.

HE was the man who took over from Del Bono at a critical moment in the Abyssinian campaign and brought the war there to an end in five months. It seems likely that, following his swift trip to Albania, he saw no chance of repeating his success in the campaign against Greece. If we were Marshal Badoglio, we'd remember Balbo—and stay out of aeroplanes!

HIS successor had a distinguished career in the last war and



Miss Sonia Vera Carlyle Straw, a 19-year-old girl, said warden of Caterham has been awarded the George Medal. During a raid she attended a number of badly injured women and children, and treated several people for shock, she carried on without assistance all through the raid. Miss Straw roof spotting during a raid alarm. (Copyright, Fox)

from 1925 to 1928 was Under-Secretary for War. Later, he was in command in East Africa.

Thought For
The Week

NOTHING is done. Everything in the world remains to be done or done over. The greatest picture is not yet painted, the greatest play is not written (not even by Shakespeare), the greatest poem is unsung. There isn't a single perfect railroad, nor a good government, nor a sound law.

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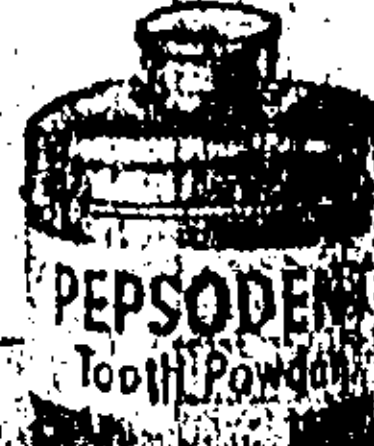
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Let Us Build A New Britain

By Montagu Slater

THE village craftsman now spends his Sundays moving furniture out of London. The other day he was talking about a journey to the East End.

"If it wasn't for the people," he said, "I'd have called it a good thing. Surely it was the only way to get rid of all these slums."

And now, it seems, there is to be official support for the belief that the final answer to destruction is rebuilding Britain.

Sir John Reith has an undoubted job. Older people compute his function with the uninspiring memory of the Ministry of Reconstruction formed at the end of the last war, and are not cheerful about it.

How shall we rebuild Britain? I have put the question to several people in the last few days. The first I talked to was a woman architect. She was angry.

How can we talk about rebuilding Britain, she demanded, till we know what to rebuild and for whom? What do we know now of the distribution of population, of industry, or of anything else after the deluge?

Do we even know what social system we shall live under? Aren't we kidding ourselves in even discussing how we shall go about rebuilding Britain?

I went to the Housing Centre, where people collect libraries of books about slum clearance and the original Peabody whose tenements proliferated about London. It appears he was an American, and had the idea in the 1850's that all evils could be cured by the simple operation of compound interest, so left half a million or so to build Peabody Buildings, whose rent should provide the money for building more Peabody Buildings. Which has no particular relevance except as a reminder that people have been rebuilding Britain for quite a long time now, with results that are only so-so.

At the Housing Centre they raise a point of detail that deserves attention. It is about compensation and insurance.

One thing, I was told, has stood in the way of every suggested improvement—compensation. Compensation to the slum landlord, to the leaseholder, to the ground landlord. It is one of the things that has made planning difficult.

Well, now, they say, there is to be Government compensation to landlords of demolished property, payable after the war. Is it going to be unconditional compensation, or shall it be made conditional on their acceptance of a planned rebuilding?

The same applies to the insurance scheme now promised. The owner of the little jerry-built house demolished by the blast of a distant bomb, and that's enough

building of Britain, for better or worse, goes on all day and every day. The new factories being built in country places by the score mean new populations of workers and rough and ready housing schemes.

The Royal Institute of British Architects has just run a competition for designs for such places. The idea was to design half a house, a sort of surface shelter that can be kept in and even lived in, thereby, perhaps, somewhat half-heartedly.

The winning design was an affair of cubicles for eight men and six women (the sexes carefully segregated), with a narrow "living-room" at each end.

I was minded of workers' quarters in harrowing stories of pre-revolutionary Russia. But this is "planning" as we have it.

The idea is that this two-storey affair shall be made into a working class house by the addition of the next floor after the deluge. Looking at this example of rehousing reminds me, however, that Mrs. Borders, who got herself known as "the tenants' K.C.," called her own jerry-built house "Insanity."

Meanwhile architects are thinking about rebuilding Britain. So are doctors. So are building workers' leaders.

In his Whitehall office at the Ministry of Labour where he is Director of Labour Supply, I talked to Mr. R. Coppock, Secretary of the National Federation of Building Operatives.

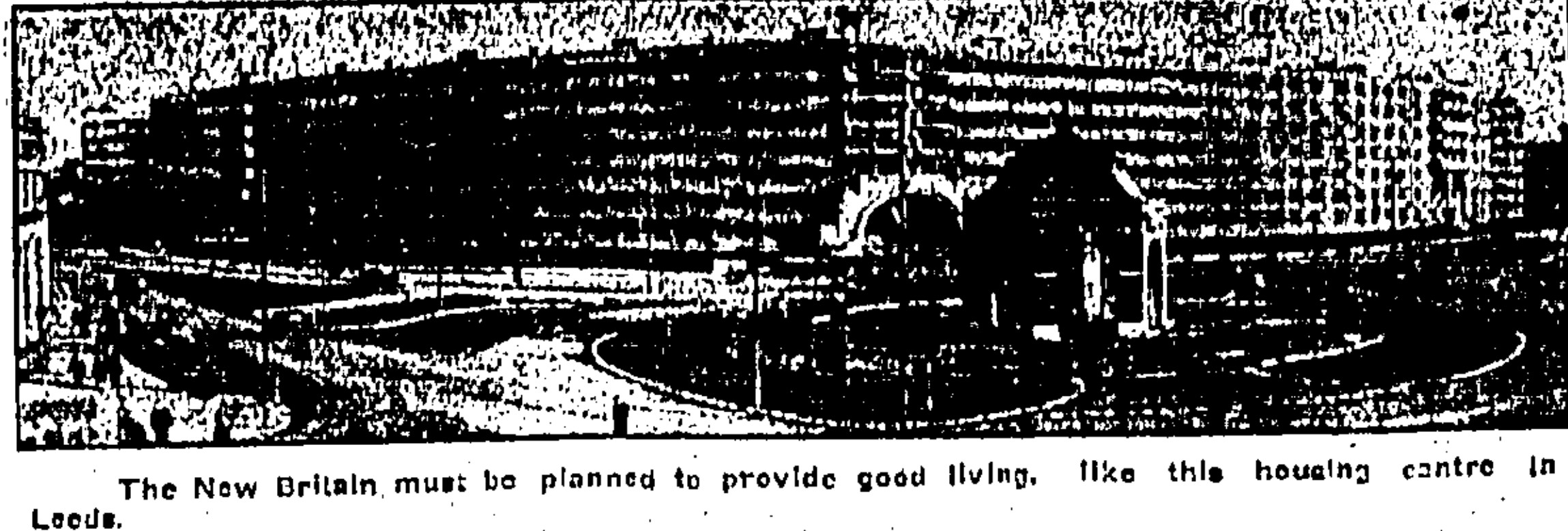
He demanded a plan for rebuilding Britain and a Central Planning Board of the Government, local authorities, architects, technicians and building workers to carry it out.

He wanted decentralisation. No more sprawling cities like London. No speculative builders. No artificial land values. Land must be valued at its clear site value and come under national control.

Building societies will have to adjust themselves to planning and "instead of financing speculative buildings must return to their original role of thrift societies for workers."

The building worker must have his share, said Mr. Coppock. He is entitled to guaranteed employment, holidays with pay, and at the end of his life's work, a life of comfort and a share of the beautiful places he has helped to build.

That's Mr. Coppock's Utopia. A



The New Britain must be planned to provide good living. Like this housing centre in Leeds.

By Montagu Slater

fer most jerry-built houses, will apparently get his insurance straight away. If he is still paying his building society for the house it probably means he will have to hand over his Government cheque. And with it the building society will finance another jerry-builder to do his worst in the same place in the same way.

There is something for Whitehall bureaucrats to think about right now in their framing of compensation rules and insurance rules.

But I read now that "speculation is beginning in London's damaged building sites already" and the question rises whether something more far-reaching than rules to govern payment of compensation and town-planning orders will meet the case.

After all, as the next architect I talked to reminded me, the re-

doctor gave me his. London, with the green belt nearer the centre, health centres instead of doctors' surgeries, organised on a regional basis, closely linked with the hospitals.

If such a town plan as the "star shaped city" were adopted, the hospital and health centre plan would need to follow similar lines; but, in general, the clinics would be close to the dwellings of the people, and would form, both architecturally and socially, an important part of any district.

This doctor wants a "Hospital City" on some site such as that at Crystal Palace, "a lasting memorial to those who have died in London's battle and a chance for British medicine to convert to universal use the knowledge it has gained and will gain in this struggle."

Thus doctors and builders dream. But architects are doing people these days. I couldn't get them to

When we come out at the other end of the tunnel, the architect declared, we shall need architects in close contact with the people's needs.

There will be details to decide. We shall have to decide whether to house the people in blocks of flats or houses. We should not build blocks of flats only because land costs a lot of money, any more than we should build only small houses because people have got used to living that way.

It is not a question that can be decided here by a committee of architects. We shall need to take into account what the people want themselves. We shall need organised research, so that housing schemes are up to date technically. Instead of being years out of date, as many have been in Britain till now.

When the time comes we shall be ready, he concluded, just as we were ready with evacuation plan and shelter plans. But it's on thing to have the plans—as we have found in this Britain of planless shelters and chaotic evacuation—another thing to have the power to see them carried through.

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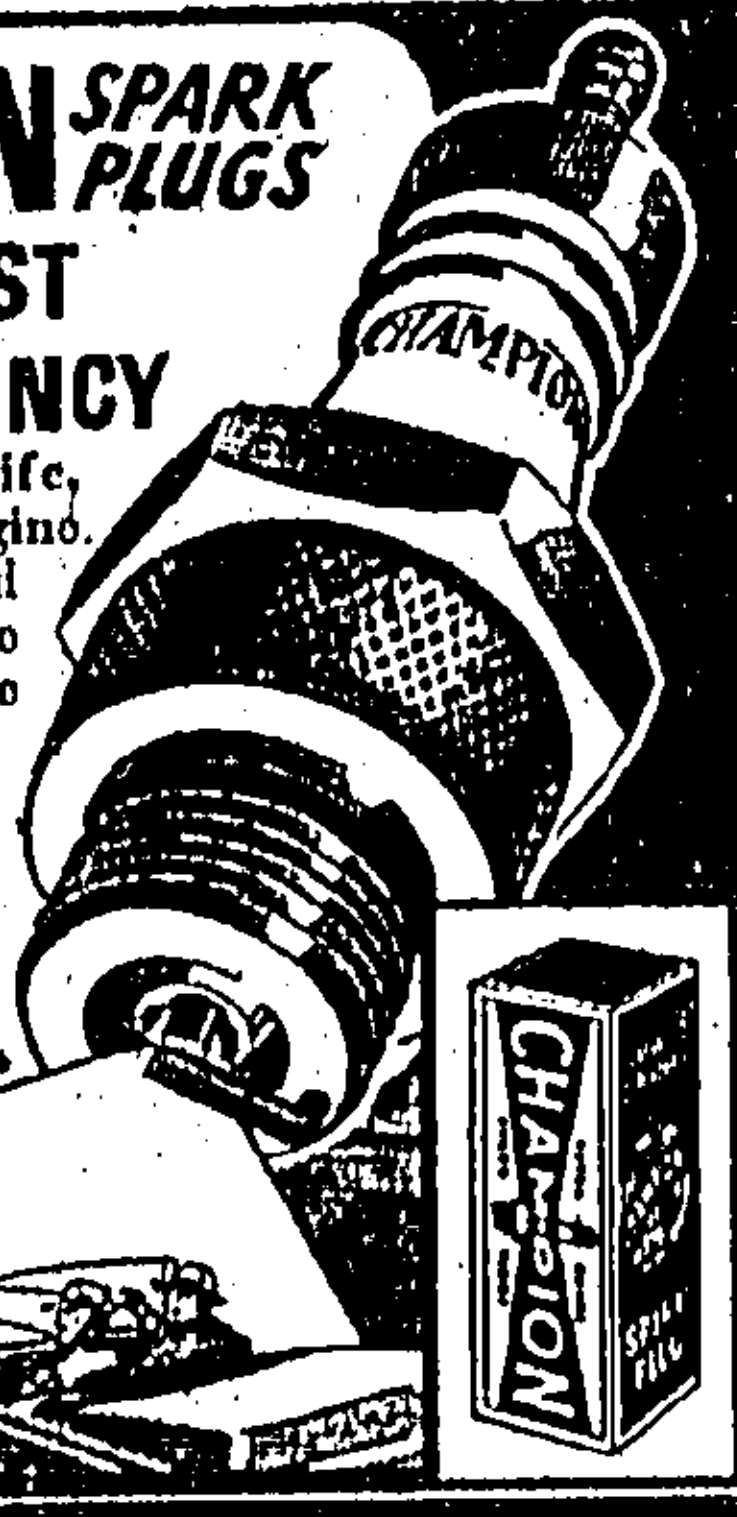
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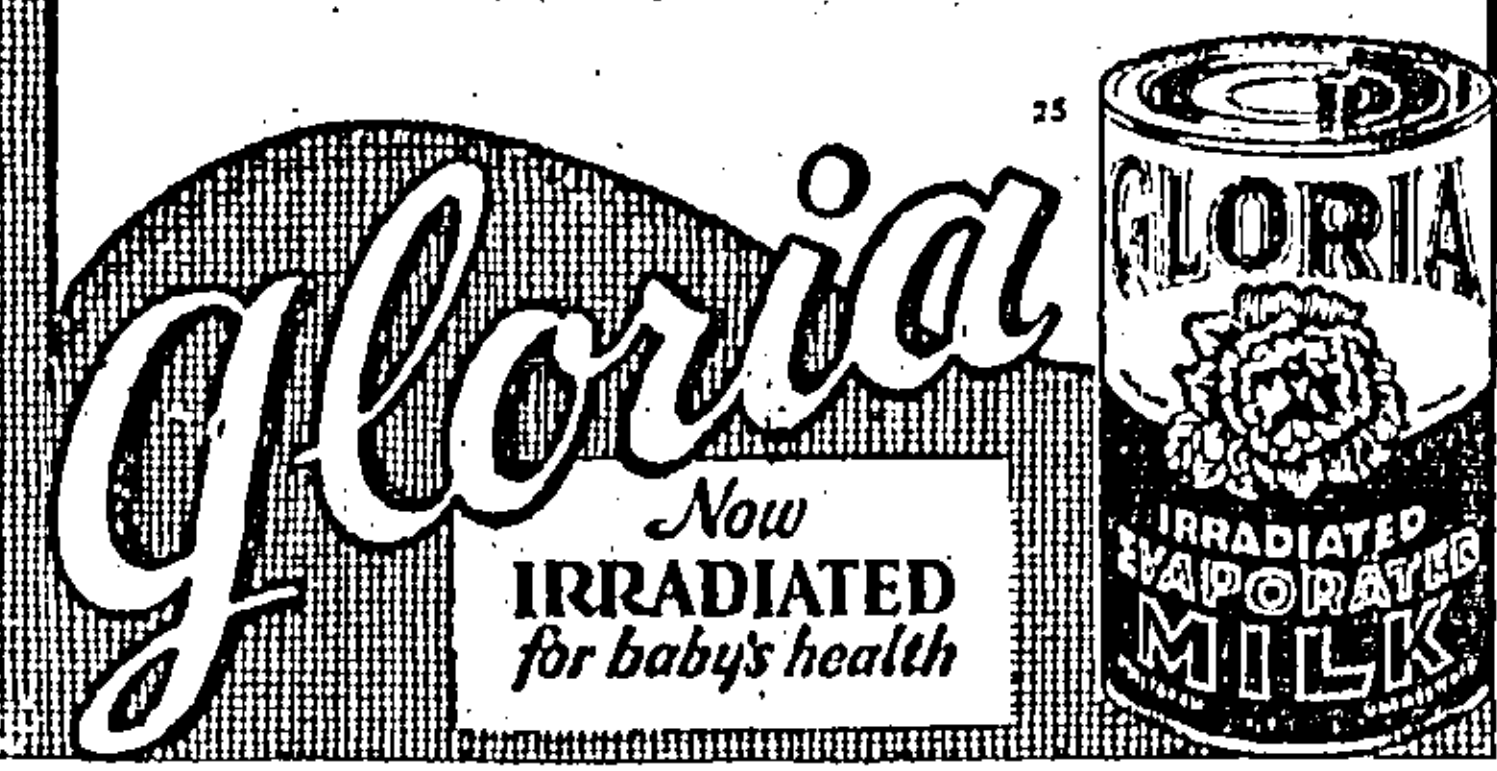
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Basically, the machine allows punters to purchase pari-mutuel tickets without delay and without having to walk long distances to join a crowd and jostle around the pari-mutuel booths.

"I think it is a jolly good idea," said one Hong Kong race-goer when interviewed by the "Sunday Herald" shortly after his return to the Colony. "It speeds up the buying of pari-mutuel tickets and is very much more convenient."

Asked if he thought a similar machine, or machines, would interest Hong Kong, he replied: "It's the first thing I suggested when I saw the machine operating. It costs so much less than the 'Tote,' for one thing, and makes everything so much easier and more convenient."

Speed-Up

The basic idea of the machine originated in the fertile brain of Mr. A. W. Olsen, secretary of the Shanghai Race Club. As in Hong Kong, the Shanghai Race Club's pari-mutuel tickets are sold at the usual booths, with a horde of Chinese handling the "wins" and "places," and people scrambling about the popular numbers in crowds which at times get somewhat unruly.

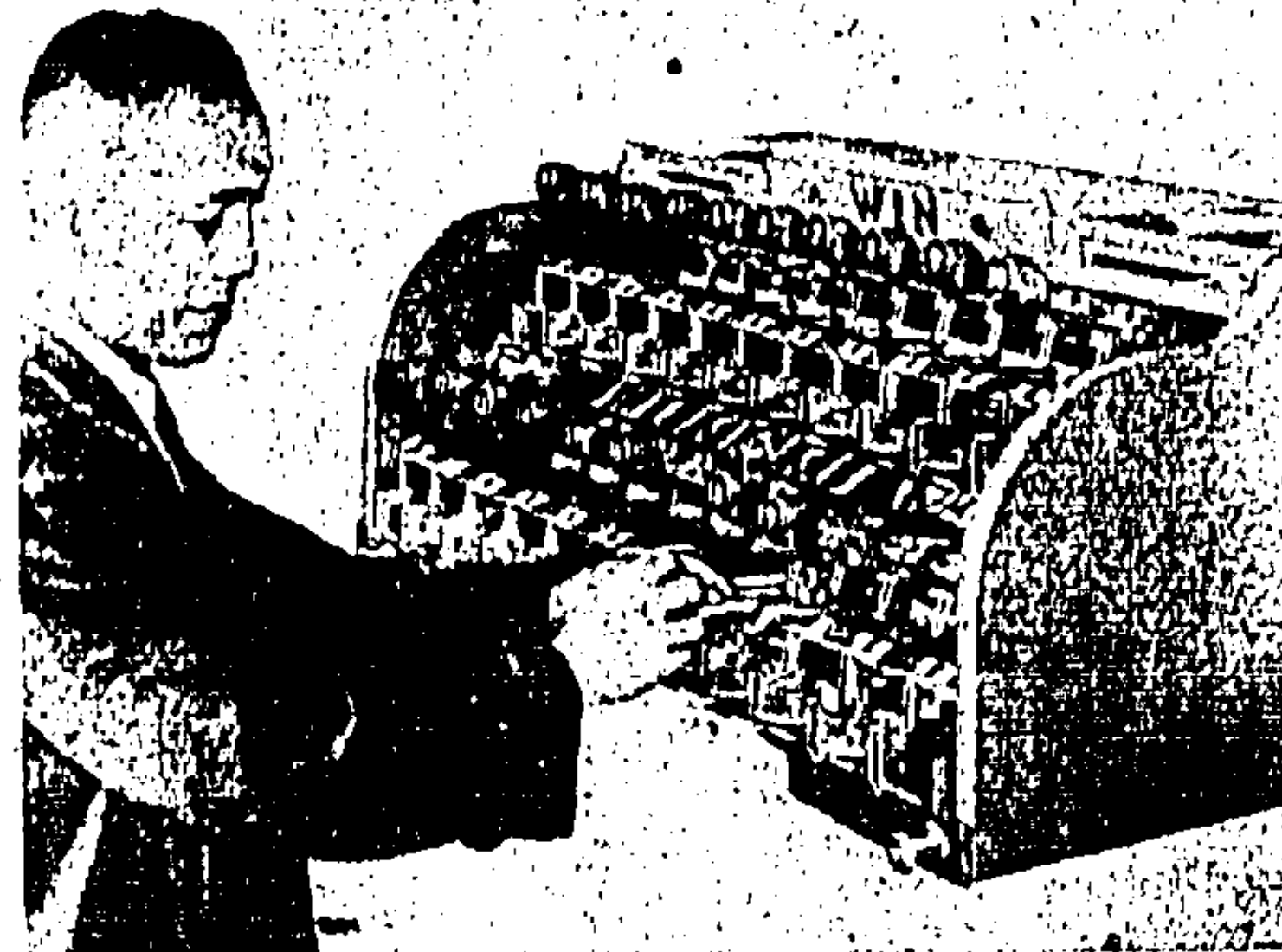
A full-sized "Totalisator" costs a lot of money—especially these days—and as he watched the madding crowds, Mr. Olsen felt that something should be done to speed-up the operation, as well as to devise a means for making the purchase of tickets more convenient for people who might be half a mile or so away from the

booths and, hence, somewhat chary of making the long trek very frequently.

"What I want," he said to himself, "is some sort of a machine in which a ticket for a race can be inserted, the number of the horse chosen by the punter stamped on or punched out; and which will also give an immediate record of the number of tickets sold on that particular horse in that race."

Mr. Olsen is not a mechanical genius or inventor, but he had, in his mind's eye, a pretty fair picture of the sort of machine that was needed, and all that remained was for someone with experience of mechanics, levers and so on, to work out the details so that the machine would function smoothly and efficiently.

Eventually, he took his idea to



The operator has just punched a ticket. Two of the tables are down and he still has hold of the edge of the paper. It takes less than one second to actually punch and print a ticket.

punter has got his two tickets and is away, leaving room for the next man, and so on.

Immediately the pari-mutuel for that race closes, an "audit slip" is inserted in each row of each machine and the total number of tickets sold on each horse in that race—plus one which has to be deducted—is instantaneously recorded.

These slips are rushed off to a central point for calculation of the dividends to pay on that particular race.

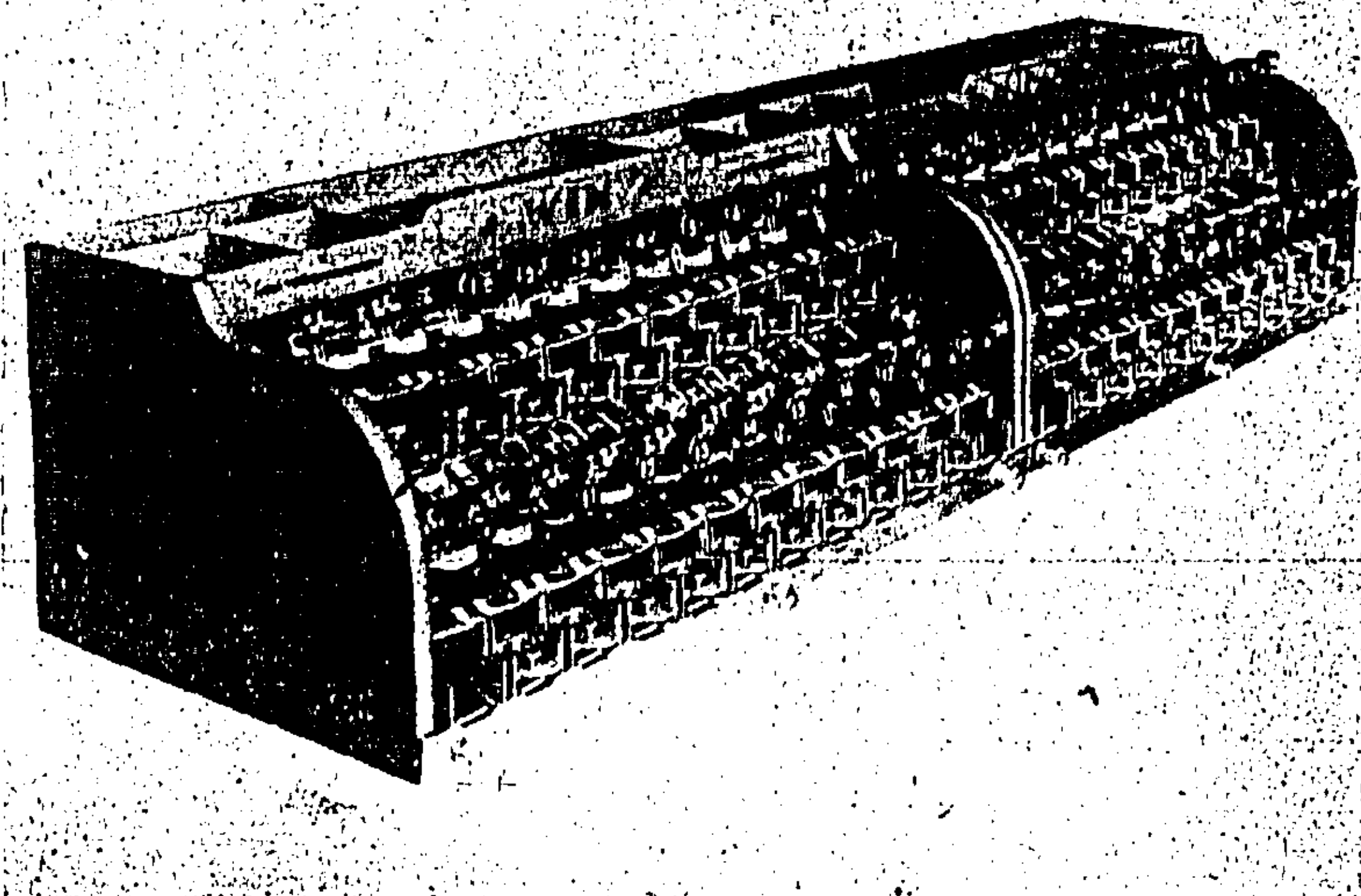
Apart from the greater speed and accuracy of the operation, the machine offers a number of other great advantages.

Normally, on medium-sized

Mechanical Feed

In actual fact, its operation can be greatly speeded up by the addition of a mechanical feed for the tickets, and this problem is now being studied. At the moment, the operator has to pick a ticket out of a shallow tray and insert it into the machine; the actual punching and numbering takes only a moment.

It is expected that in its final, finished form, the machine will be able to turn out as many as 20 or more tickets in a matter of seconds, the operator just pulling down the lever the required number of times and the tickets shooting out into his hand, instead of



This picture gives the best general idea of two machines, in actual use they are placed on a counter at a convenient distance from one another with their backs to the public. The "Customers" come to the space between.

the Linotype & Machinery Co., probably the only firm in Shanghai able to handle the task—anyone who knows anything about linotype machines will agree that the company which builds them should know something about complicated machinery!

Practical Test

And a few months later, the finished product, gleaming in chrome and ducos, was ready for its first practical test. Its appearance, its neat lines and comparative simplicity may be judged from the photographs on this page.

And now for the big question, what does it do and how does it function?

As the photograph shows the "Top," as it has been tentatively named, actually consists of two machines, one marked "Win," the other "Place." In the photograph, they are side by side, but in actual use they are placed on a counter at a convenient distance from each other, and with their backs to the public.

Bettors approach a man standing between the two machines to buy their tickets. Say, for example, wants two \$5 tickets, for a "Win" and a "Place" on horse No. 7, in the fifth race.

As soon as the pari-mutuel opens, he approaches the man standing between the two machines and hands over his \$10. The man turns to another man operating the "Win" machine and says "One, No. 7," then to the "Place" machine, and says the same thing to the man there.

Each operator picks up a ticket, slips it into the machine under the handle marked "7," and pulls the handle down. The machine punches a hole through No. 7 on the ticket and at the same time records next to the hole the number of tickets sold on that particular horse up to that moment.

Matter Of Seconds

In a matter of seconds, the

tracks without a "Tote," betters have to converge from all over the stands to one spot where tickets are sold. Generally speaking, if there are 20 horses in a race, 40 clerks have to be employed, handling the "wins" and "places" for each horse.

This machine requires only three operators. Naturally, if only one machine were used, the crowds would still have to converge on the one spot and jostlings and delays would result.

Advantage Of "Top"

But the advantage of the "Top" is that pari-mutuel booths can be set up all over the place—on the member's stand, in the public stand, in the bar, in the hall, and even "trundled" through the crowds. The process is the same—all the "audit slips" being sent off as soon as the pari-mutuel closes for that race.

The advantages are obvious. To the case of a man who pops into the bar for a quick one. He suddenly decides to bet on Horse 7 in Race 5—but he's in a convivial crowd, he's got a glass in his hand, and he doesn't want to leave.

Normally, he will probably forego buying the ticket, and the Club therefore loses money (and if the horse should come home he'll probably be annoyed!). But what happens if the Club has installed "Top" machines? The bar is an obvious site for one set. Instead of having to go downstairs and possibly fight his way through a large crowd for five or ten minutes, he steps up to the machine and gets his ticket in a matter of seconds—probably even before anyone in the party realises he has gone.

At the moment, there is only one model of the machine in operation, on the members' stand of the Shanghai Race Club. So far, all who have seen it in operation, are delighted with it.



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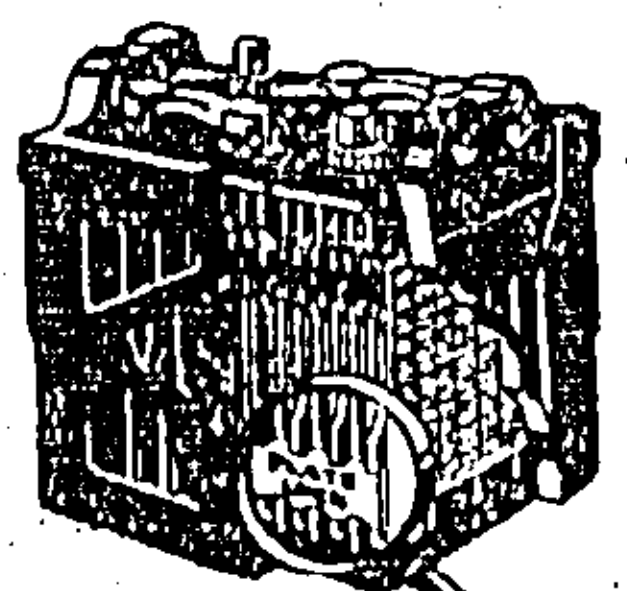
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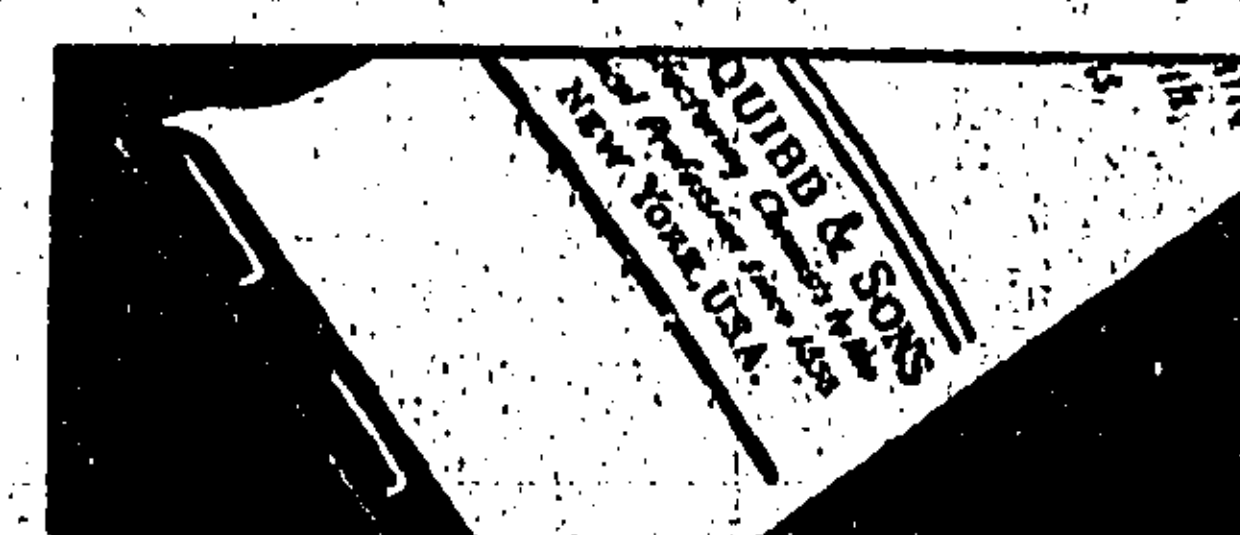
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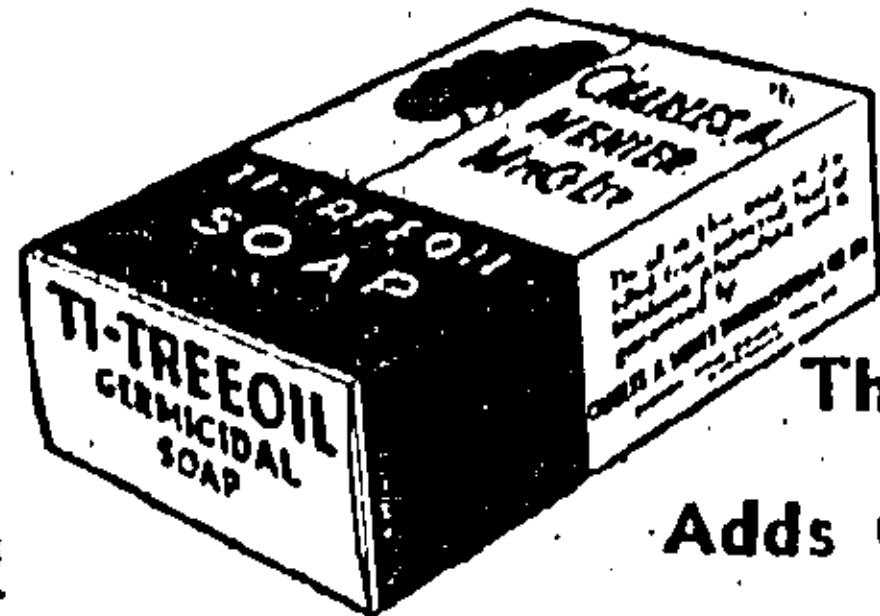
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The first thing that impresses the happy intruder on these private preserves is the extraordinary friendliness and homeliness of this compact community. It is a highly organised society, a self-contained state with a ruler possessing extensive powers, supported by a body of officers each with a specially set task, and working within the limits which that duty involves. Duties and responsibilities of decreasing importance go right through and right down to every member of the ship's company. But it is not merely a cold efficient machine. No ship could possibly be efficient that merely aimed at mechanical perfection in the execution of its duties. The guns, the armament, the standard of the drill may rise to high levels and yet there may be wanting the spirit that cements the different units and turns them into a unified and living active whole. There is a discipline that is imposed from without that requires rigid conformity to rules and regulations and if vigorously and relentlessly applied it is achieved but unless this is supplemented by a keen voluntary acceptance of the discipline that efficiency is likely to crack at the critical moment. There are such things as happy ships, not ships where indulgence leads to ease and slackness, but ships which elicit from the crews that willing cooperation for smartness and excellence of work in all departments and which imposes on itself the task of doing each his share towards earning a reputation for the ship as a member of a grand organisation. That is the secret of a good and efficient naval ship and success or failure in this direction depends on the spirit which the captain and his officers infuse into their appointed task.

The question is, how is this accomplished, how does the crew get together and work almost as an organic whole while at the same time each preserves his individual status. A technique would naturally be evolved in the course of the Navy's history. If only by the process of trial and error for obviously a ship's company which has to live together while in commission for two or three years must individually desire to make that association as pleasant and happy as possible. It is a problem as old as civilisation itself. Schopenhauer compared men with hedgehogs who experience the cold so much that they urged each other to come together for mutual warmth. Unfortunately, when they did so they were very uncomfortable for their spines began to pierce each other, especially as they came much closer whose spines were longer than the normal and so they drew apart and again shivered with cold until by careful adjustment they managed to get the maximum of warmth with the minimum of friction. It was that position which H.M.S. — had achieved. It is quite impossible to define the method, it is based on intuition and depends on those intangible impalpable qualities which good officers either possess or do not possess and it is all that can be said about it. Above all it is unconscious and not studied, it is natural and not artificial. It is dependent on an organisation which has been tried and not found wanting, and is therefore backed up by the interest of all, and where it exists it manifests itself in every department.

There must be a generous recognition of another man's good qualities even if there is a consciousness of his failings. There must be restraint and tolerance and a fair latitude allowed. Frankness and good natured criticism must be permitted if harmony and good order are to be maintained in the ward room as well as among the ratings.

Now let me illustrate by quoting some of the conversations that took place during the voyage.

By "CIVIS"

and recorded almost immediately afterwards: "Good Morning," Schollie, "Good morning. Did you sleep well?" "No I did not. Those rainstorms kept me awake. I had to get up several times to attend to my port as the rain kept dashing in on me. I was up at least four times."

"Yes, it was rather a bad night. It was hard luck on the men who were sleeping on deck for they were driven below and it was not so pleasant down there in these tropical waters. However, we've been very lucky so far and they have not done so badly. I hope for their sakes we won't get any more bad weather this side of Suez."

"Oh, yes examinations are all right but of course a seaman does not get his promotion merely on that. He has to get a recommendation from the captain that he is the sort of person who not only knows his job, but is fit to exercise authority over men. He may not be one who understands or gets on with others and may become a centre of friction and discontent even though he is efficient in other ways. There was a case of one recently who was passed to the rank of P.O. but he was clearly unsuitable because of certain faults he had and so he was put back. When he asked whether he should apply for a transfer he was advised to stay where he was known, and try to prove he had overcome the fault which made him unacceptable. Well now he has corrected his defect and the recommendation has been given."

"Yes, they will all be glad to get home after two and a half years. Fortunately we have had a very good health bill. The men have kept fit and the boys have filled out and are stronger and a good deal bigger than they were when we left."

"There is one difficult case, a married man with V.D. who cannot possibly be cured before we get home. He will be transferred before we get there by intercharge otherwise it will mean a domestic tragedy, possibly the break-up of a home. That must not occur if we can prevent it."

"I did not agree with your decision in the games this afternoon Commander. After all the Tommen were leading by at least three

bottles, when the third man of the quarter deck team slipped and broke his. They should have stopped and started again at that point, and not all over again, for the Tommen not only lost their initial advantage but also the feeling of winning. They were penalised by the decision."

"Yes but the fault did not lie with the man who broke the bottle. After all the frailty of the bottle was not part of the game, perhaps we should have had something more substantial. It seemed to be the fairest thing to do to start all over. If the Tommen could get the lead because of their speed and skill once there was no reason why they should not do it a second time. There is an element of luck of course in these things but on the whole superiority tells."

"I don't agree. I think the Tommen were done out of their victory and as it was a final it was important. It is difficult to legislate for unforeseen accidents of this kind but my decision would certainly have been different. I think the officers ought to have challenged the winning team from the lower deck and not a team made up of the best of each team because they can not have had practice in training and working together."

"Oh but look at the individual practice they have had in these competitions. We've had none and in comparison are so small that we could scarcely get a team at all."

"What are you doing this morning?" "Oh just passing out these boys who have to have a general knowledge of working a four inch. They are not the regular crew of course but they have to show that they understand the mechanism and the loading and unloading. Who is in charge? There is W.O. Jones. He knows his job — a real practical man. In fact all these warrant officers are very able fellows. They are the backbone of the crew. They are specialists each in his line, but could be greater than that."

and each knows every detail of his department of work whether it is torpedo, gunnery or engineering work. They are officers and rank higher than their opposite number in the army. They have the responsibility that goes with their knowledge and the men respect them because of their efficiency."

"There will be several promotions announced from this ship before we get home. Brown will be a commander, Jones and Smith will also move up a step. All very good men. We're lucky to have them."

In all this, drawn from different sources on the same ship, there is not only the fact that the ship's welfare and efficiency is a matter of concern and pride to each but there is the further consideration that it belongs to and is part of a larger whole, namely the Fleet and the Navy. The problem and aim is to secure the best men by selection and recommendation and to make the whole a success, to see that the best men are advanced, to check the petty spiteful non-selection of good men or the selection of poor ones based merely on personal grounds.

Loyalty to the Navy as a whole transcends the smaller matters, and tends to make a captain take a wide and generous sweep for he knows that his judgment is not the only one that will go to decide these questions and if he deviates widely he will have to justify his actions as the after career of these he has recommended will, he knows, either justify him or condemn him. In any case his reputation too is at stake.

The spirit of the navy is based on common sense, fair play, a deep devotion to the service and a feeling of personal responsibility for upholding the high traditions which have come down through naval history. The achievements of the Royal Navy since this war began prove conclusively that the standards to-day are as high as they have ever been and no tribute could be greater than that.



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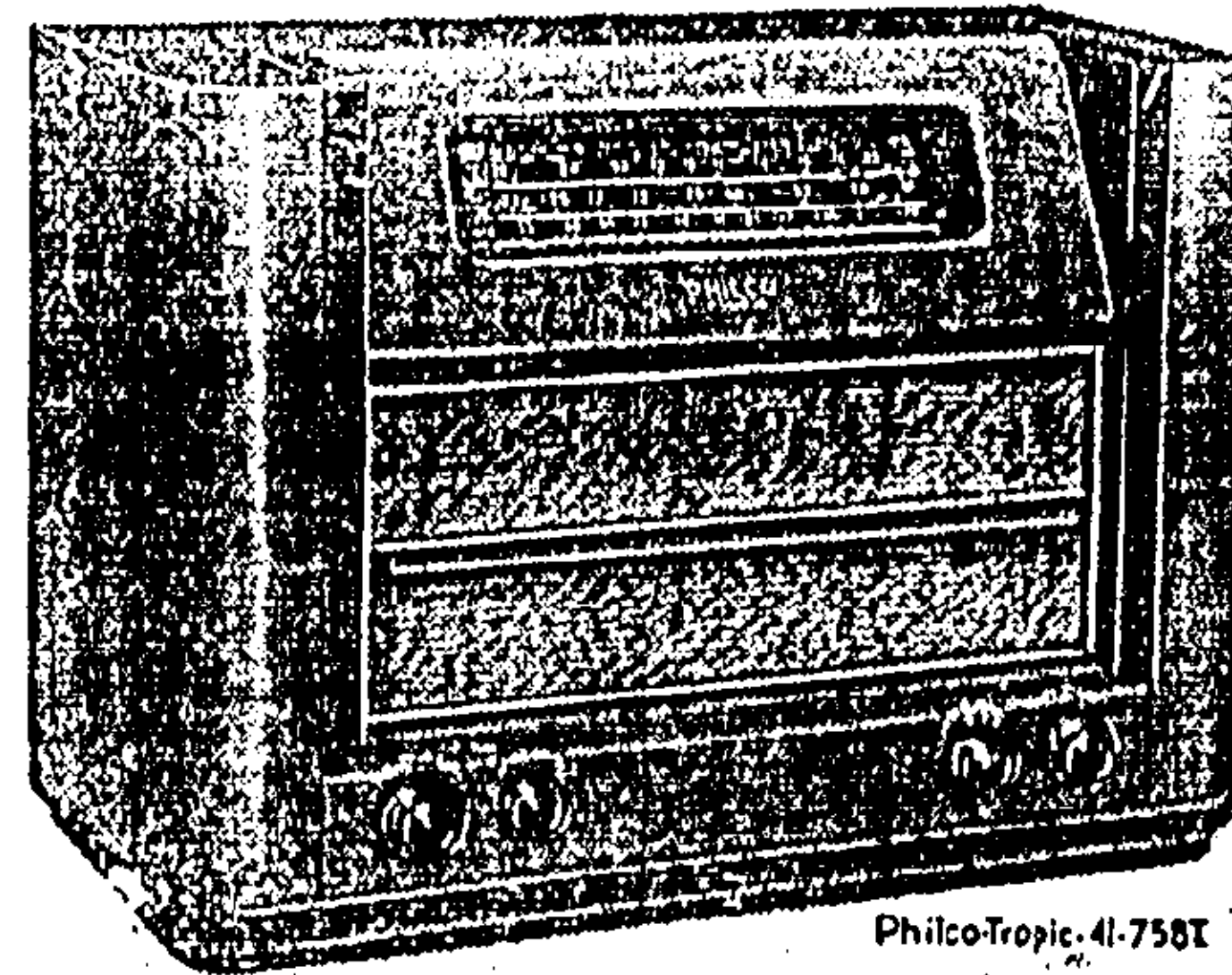


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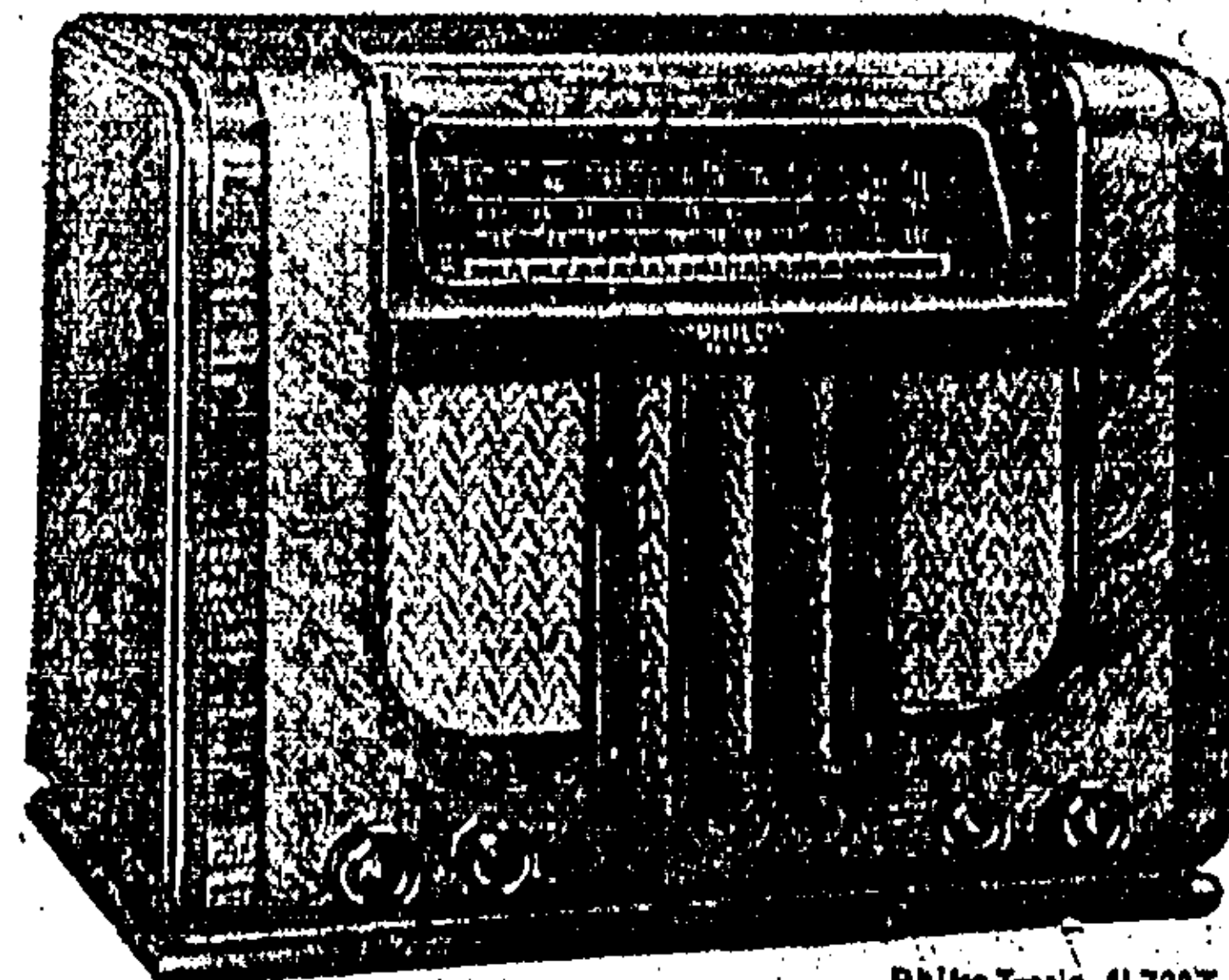
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RICE CRISIS

The disturbing situation created by the sharply rising curve of living costs among the great under-paid and under-privileged of this Colony has lost little or none of its acuteness by reason of Government's action in fixing the retail prices of rice. The Food Controller's Order is being openly and consciously defied—and, although that can be cured ultimately by police vigilance and salutary penalties, it covers only one of several essential items in the coolie class budget which have soared to prohibitory levels. Part of the remedy lies undoubtedly (and perhaps unfortunately) in the hands of employers of labour, from whom a new outlook is demanded if our troubles are not to be seriously aggravated; but a heavy responsibility remains with Government.

The price control decision is, in that sense, reassuring, for whether or not it goes far enough, it indicates official readiness to fulfil its trustworthiness, and to seek ways and means.

It is patently clear, however, that the real task of Government is not met by fixing the price of rice at artificially boosted levels. The Government's own cost of living figures, based upon a labourer's dietary providing only absolute necessities, and prepared before the new blows began to fall, show \$40 as the necessary minimum wage for bare subsistence of a family of man, wife and four children. In other words, with all due allowances for error, malnutrition is to-day inevitable for 90 per cent. of the Colony's labouring classes, and acute malnutrition for 80 per cent. Rice may as well be \$20 a picul as \$15 if the prospective purchaser can afford only \$5.

In one way and one way only can that grim situation be alleviated. Government cannot stop at checking the rise in prices; the main purpose of its policy must be to bring them down. In this connection, it would be interesting to know what truth there is in persistent reports that American supply ships for the Burma Road are leaving Rangoon, port of a great rice-producing country, in ballast, and are not looking into Hong Kong on their way to Hong Kong. It may be pertinent to ask, too: How extensive is the control of the pool or pools which control the export of rice overseas and its import into Hong Kong? What effect has the Government's need to provide stocks against siege had in strengthening the power of monopoly?

Such questions are vitally relevant to the present situation. And the answers to be inferred from official actions have, so far, not been sufficiently reassuring. Government's announcement, for instance, that measures for the limitation of retail prices of rice are purely temporary, and thrusting responsibility for the crisis on "the attempted raising of wholesale prices to unwarrantable levels by suppliers abroad" suggest a fear of collision with vested interests rather than a sound grasp of the fundamentals.

The true solvent of the prevalent discontent is direct action by Government to guarantee the maintenance of ample rice stocks in this Colony, by methods which admit of no equivocation or compromise. The suggestion is that Government turn primary importer; that it enters the open market, whether in Bangkok, or Rangoon, or Saigon, and it brings all necessary supplies into Hong Kong in its own ships. It has the powers of requisition. Other obstacles should not defy the wit of an energetic authority to overcome. Urge towards this course is emphasised by strong hints that the increasing isolation of Hong Kong economically, as notably marked by the Saigon embargo, is politically motivated and part of a set programme. It would serve the purpose, too, when the final net costs of landing in Hong Kong were ascertained, of furnishing an interesting contrast with the figures produced by private enterprise.

These are testing days; their problems cannot be met by half-measures.

WORDS, like writings, have their destined fate, and it is often the distressful fate of words in the debased currency. They gradually depreciate. Once "indifferent" meant "just," and "adventurers" were honourable pioneers. In recent times Empire and its derivations have fallen from their high estate.

Emperors, indeed, as a class have not fared well in the judgment of history. Nero and Domitian have seemed to be more typical than Trajan and Marcus Aurelius, a Chamberlain rather than a Thour. In the long corridor of the Holy Roman Empire, some noble figures stand out, but many that are petty.

In modern times Napoleon undoubtedly filled the part, but his crown was almost pinched. The later Hapsburgs could not unite their tesselated dominions of States into a solid foundation. The style of German Emperor was rejected by Frederick William IV and reluctantly accepted by William I. The old soldier thought it a fever that to be King of Prussia as heir of Frederick II. The emperors of the Far East were shadowy nonentities, except the ruler of Japan, who in a shattered world retains his lonely eminence, though a revived Abyssinian Empire may arise. Yet as ago the vast territories of the East dismissed its Hapsburg emperors, still earlier the emergence of a negro Emperor of Haiti added a Christy Minstrel echo to the sonorous title.

The Case Of India

It was therefore not surprising that in 1876, when Disraeli's adieu to the House of Commons was "pledged away" by the Royal Titles Bill, opposition in both Houses was so potent that the House of Lords rejected the bill. The House of Commons, however, passed it, and Lord Salisbury, who had been a member of the House of Commons, was appointed Viceroy of India.

And yet, if any Empire were to be maintained anywhere, the term seemed appropriate to the relation between Britain and India, with its Provinces diverse in race, language, and religion, and its host of Principalities, some extant, some almost independent kingdoms. And such has been the general verdict of approval hitherto, but it might be argued that the use of this title gives colour to the charge of British Imperialism, in a bad sense, so fluently reiterated by the orators of Congress. That would be illogical, of course, for a system of government, bad or good, does not hinge on words and names; but nationalist passion ignores logic.

The British Empire is no parvenu creation. The Tudors justly claimed that even then the Crown of England was an Imperial Crown, for it ruled several different nations. In Burke's oratory the Empire shines as a noble reality. But the creed of Imperialism emerged in Queen Victoria's reign, stimulated by such books as Froese's "Oceania," by the many inspiring records of travel, and by powerful works of fiction depicting life in India and the Colonies.

Soon it became the target of acute and uneasy controversy. For centuries trade had been one spur

to colonial expansion; precious stones and metals and the exotic spices and drugs which were the amenities of European life, had been the lures of earlier adventurers; now, it was contended, the greed of speculators, protected by pouncing pre-consuls and soulless soldiery, tried to widen the bounds of our already excessive Empire.

The less happy creations of Kipling's genius, the "sahibs" of the appalling Gadsby sort, were by these critics regarded as typical. They were painfully shocked by the dreams of Cecil Rhodes, and the fiasco of the Jameson raid seemed to justify their alarms.

But a change began with the present century. The Union of South Africa was an Imperial creation in the best sense, as had been that of the Commonwealth of the Dutch. The controversy over the origin of the Empire was over the origin of the Empire.

But a great part of the world raises the hue and cry against us. The one exception to the rule that Empire was based on naval predominance was Russia. She has set herself to absorb vast tracts of Asia altogether alien to her focal centre; there is scarcely more likeness between dweller in the cow and dwellers in Mongolia than between a Maori and a Scottish Highlander. And yet Moscow twits us with our imperialism, and ascribes the sin to our capitalistic greed. We can only answer "de le fabula narratur," you have inherited the acquisitive ambitions of Teardrop; though your aim is different, your methods are identical.

The Powers ticketed as Have-nots are naturally vociferous, because they were late in the field. Before the Risorgimento the Italian medley of the Papal States, the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies, the commercial Republics of Venice and Genoa, and the Duchies in the North, all under the shadow of the Holy Roman Empire, could not combine for Imperial expansion.

It was the same with disunited Germany; and when the angular pieces were set together, the great artificer Bismarck had no zest for colonial enterprise. With the friendship of Russia and the acquiescence of England he could remain the first Power on the Continent, and that sufficed. It was the mad ambition of William II, well stored but lashed with hysteria, which impelled Germany to the vision of a world-empire. Other countries looked on. Portugal held

rather precariously to her vast African possessions, of which she has recently much bettered the administration. The system of mandates, inaugurated through the League of Nations, has worked admirably in easy cases, but does not solve the whole colonial question.

American Imperialism
Meanwhile, the attitude of the United States to imperialism has been singularly instructive. American opinion has been torn in different directions: by Washington's warning against foreign entanglements, by the adventurous spirit of such men as Theodore Roosevelt, and by the Puritan tradition, shared by many of the world. American imperialism has been dilapidated and almost unconscious. The West India Island of Puerto Rico was purchased from Denmark in a measure of military defence, by some deemed needless. It has been well administered at considerable cost, and now clamours for independence, but some thoughtful Americans would like to try the experiment of "dominion status."

The Philippine Islands present a more awkward problem. Covering a line of a thousand miles of ocean, numbering several thousands, and with an estimated population of eighteen millions, predominantly Christian, and abridging differing in race and language they fell to America in the war with Spain in 1898, but the idea of conquest was repudiated. American administration has done wonders in promoting education, sanitation, road-making, and financial equilibrium, but above too the future is clouded with doubt. Independence has been definitely granted within a few years, but what is the use of independence to a small community in this predatory world? For America would not go to war to save the Philippines if her own interests are not endangered. Why should she?

Liberty With Order
But perhaps when the world settlement has to be made, the existence of the American overseas Empire with its problems may be a valuable help in modifying the present distribution of colonial ownerships and responsibilities which seems so unfair to those who share neither the gains nor the losses. American, indeed, need not blush for her imperialism. France chose the plan of sending colonial representatives to the Imperial Parliament. In the last century it was seriously suggested for Westminster, but the resolved support for the respect, that of ignoring the Colonial line in certain social respects, we have to admit Saxon inferiority to Gallic and Latin tradition. But we make no apology for our imperialism. It has aided Christian missions, and has owed much to them, but it has never fostered proselytism. It can claim that liberty with order has been its watchword rather than rigid domination. Once when it had been assailed, Lord Rosebery defined it: "I mean the greater pride in Empire that is called a larger patriotism." In these dark days we can reverse that larger patriotism more and more.

Battle Of Ideas: By The Very Rev. W. R. INGE, D.D. Toryism--The Future

THE original Tory Party may be said to have begun in 1690 and ended in 1715. It was a Church and King party; it differed from the Commonwealth party because it wished, in the words of Hooker about the Anglican Reformation, "to retain as much of former things as we may," which is always the aim of Conservatives.

"We live in a Church reformed, not in one made new," as Laud said. But the average Tory was an Anglican, not a Laudian; a royalist, not an absolutist. The loyalist Bishop Morley, preaching at the Restoration, said, "Despotic government is that of the Turks and Muscovites, but political government is that of the British; and it is ought to be the government of all Christian kings; I am sure it is of ours."

The party was wrecked for a time by the folly of James II., which made it difficult for a churchman to be a legitimist, Jacobitism had hard Queen Victoria, oddly enough, was a Jacobite.

"Do you think, Sir William Harcourt," she asked, "that a people is ever justified in rebelling against their sovereign?" "I am too loyal a subject of the House of Hanover, ma'am, to say never," was Sir William's answer.

Lord Hugh Cecil, in his little book on Conservatism in the Home University Library, finds that Conservatism has three roots: (1) Distrust of untried change and love of what we are used to—natural Conservatism; (2) Church and King Toryism—respect for religion and lawful authority; (3) Patriotism.

This is a good summary of Conservatism as we have known it; but Church and King have not always been allies, and the Tories, as we know them, were anti-imperialists, as were the Tories of the older Pitt in George III's reign. Whig Little Englandism began with Fox.

Natural Conservatism will always shrink from the advice given in my hearing to Convocation at Oxford: "A leap in the dark is better than standing still." It would be a dangerous experiment for a mountaineer overtaken by a fog.

Those only can be trusted to guide the future of a country to whom the past is dear. So at least the intelligent Tory believes. It was one of Burke's favourite themes that a nation is a society of which the dead, the living, and the yet unborn are all citizens, and that it is the custodian of all the accumulated wisdom of experience. Mazzini was not exactly a Tory, but here he agreed with Burke:

"Those only should utter the sacred words of Progress, whose souls possess intelligence enough to comprehend the past, and whose hearts possess sufficient poetic religion to reverence its greatness. The temple of the true believer is not the chapel of a sect; it is a vast Pantheon."

Toryism has never been the creed of the rich against the poor. The oligarchs of the eighteenth century were Whigs. The rich manufacturers of the industrial revolution were individualist Liberals. Disraeli tried to convince the country that his was the party of social rather than political reform, though he unscrupulously tried to "dish the Whigs" by a radical Reform Bill for which the country was not ready. His own head adorned the charger.

The typical Conservative to-day is the little man in a black coat; he lives in the suburbs. Still, Conservatism has consistently stood for the right of private property and for the constitutional maxim "No taxation without representation." As Lord Hugh Cecil says, it does not agree with the modern version of the parable of the Good Samaritan—that the Samaritan ran after the Priest and Levite, and took the horse of one and the purse of the other to give to the wounded man.

In reading his book I understood his political creed well enough. But when I took up the manifesto of several young Conservatives in Parliament entitled "Conservatism and the Future" I felt that something new and strange has come over the party. These men do not seem to me to be Conservatives at all.

On the first page of this manifesto we are told that Conservatives "emphatically do not seek to conserve the present social system." A little later we read that "Tory principles sanction and indeed require an exercise of leadership and of compulsory authority more far-reaching than the principles of any other school of thought."

If the first of these utterances does not mean Socialism, and the second Fascism, what do they mean? The writers disclaim both intentions, but can they do so logically? They remind me of Herbert Spencer's "Man Versus the State," in which as a sturdy individualist he calls Socialism the new Toryism, because in his opinion Toryism stands for order and regimentation and not for liberty.

Some of the essayists urge a policy of "Back to the Land." I wish this could be done, but the difficulties seem at present to be insuperable. It may be possible to encourage agriculture to a limited extent but as long as the large majority of the population lives in towns, the town and not the country will call the tune. The only way to make England once more a nation of country-dwellers would be to destroy industrialism, and that process is not pleasant to think of.

What remains for Toryism to do? Natural conservatism will be always with us, and it is strong in England. Now that, in consequence of the increased expectation of life and the dwindling birth-rate, we are becoming a nation of middle-aged and elderly people, we are less likely to be rushed into impetuous courses by the youthful enthusiasms on the side of any party that will attack.

First, it may secure that social and political changes shall be gradual, not violent, and in line with our national traditions. Revolutions cause great misery and end by provoking reactions, so that in the long run they effect very little.

Next, Toryism is determined not to lose the heritage of the past, though it may be preserved in forms which are less sacred than the treasure they contain. Among these traditions is certainly the Christian religion, which holds civilisation together far more than is usually supposed.

As Bishop Berkeley, the philosopher, says: "Whatever the world thinks, he who hath not much meditated upon God, the human soul, and the supreme good may possibly make a thriving earthworm, but will most indubitably make a sorry patriot and a sorry statesman."

Thirdly, the Tory loves his country better than his class or his province. He hates class warfare and he disapproves of the present tendency for discontented provinces to break off from the central authority. Patriotism needs watching and purifying; so does every other loyalty; but it is not, as Ruskin rashly declared, "an absurd prejudice founded on an extended selfishness." Rather, we may take to ourselves the words of Abraham Lincoln:

"With malice to none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive to finish the work we are in."

THIS WEEK

Between massive night attacks on British cities in a futile attempt to break down Britain's morale and orders for intensification of the U-boat campaign against British shipping, Hitler returned this week to his perennial diversion, a peace offensive. The feelers, emerged from odd corners of Europe, Budapest, Stockholm, Zurich and Lisbon, anywhere except Berlin, but they aroused but one point of interest as to their source of inspiration: Whether internal conditions in Germany are now giving rise to serious anxiety, or whether Der Fuehrer remains guileless enough to imagine the British people can be tricked, at this stage, when they cannot be defeated!

Parliamentary Nose-Pulling

Were answer to Nazi peace overtures needed, or an ineffable impress of the mood of England, aware of the deep gravity of the hour and the immeasurable significance of the issues, it was provided by the Parliamentary debate on the I.L.P. resolution, Mr. McGovern and Mr. Maxton framed the pacifist, clothed with eloquence and vigour, but even Mr. McGovern could not pursue his line of argument without use of the phrase "if reason was allowed to supersede brute power," which holds the kernel of the whole tragic situation. As Mr. Attlee pointed out, the fundamental fallacy of the pacifist plan is that the peoples of the world have a choice between, on the one side, a terrible war, and on the other, all the beauties of peace. Hitler has no sense of justice. Force and nothing else is his Germanic god. Force to maintain and consolidate what it has torn from bleeding Europe. This is the root of the quarrel, there can be no compromise. The House of Commons expressed this by a vote of 341 to 4, which probably represents a higher percentage than would be found over Britain as a whole.

Strange Hitler Gesture

The comic picture of Hitler brandishing an olive branch was provided by the amusement of Athens as well as London. Although things go from bad to worse for Mussolini in Albania, the Nazi leader has moved neither hand nor foot to lend the slightest aid, beyond a strange gesture through Turkey which could only imply the promise of concessions to Greece at the expense of Italy. Anything, in fact, except the use of German armed forces to bring an embarrassing situation to an end.

Off On A New Tangent

Developments fall neatly into line, in fact, with hints that Hitler's determination to smash Britain threatens a serious rift in the Axis lute. Too many inferences might unwisely be drawn as Nazi tactics are loaded with a systematic travesty of logic. It seems clear, however, that Mussolini began his ill-fated campaign against Greece without the permission of Herr Hitler who is prepared to see him stew in his own

juice, for the present; that the diplomatic offensive in the Balkans has been abandoned in the face of Turkish stubbornness and the Soviet's stiffening of Bulgaria; that the sudden Nazi revival of interest in the health of Marshal Petain can be interpreted only as indicating German willingness to throw over Italy if she can gain France.

The Potting Of Petain

Whether the old Marshal will succumb to German blandishments is a question. A new campaign of vilification of the Vichy Administration commenced by Dr. Goebbels in occupied France condemns them all and sundry, with the exception of Marshal Petain and M. Laval. The Marshal is to be invited to play the role of Lender in the historic palace of Versailles, out and, aware of the deep gravity of the hour and the immeasurable significance of the issues, it was provided by the Parliamentary debate on the I.L.P. resolution, Mr. McGovern and Mr. Maxton framed the pacifist, clothed with eloquence and vigour, but even Mr. McGovern could not pursue his line of argument without use of the phrase "if reason was allowed to supersede brute power," which holds the kernel of the whole tragic situation. As Mr. Attlee pointed out, the fundamental fallacy of the pacifist plan is that the peoples of the world have a choice between, on the one side, a terrible war, and on the other, all the beauties of peace. Hitler has no sense of justice. Force and nothing else is his Germanic god. Force to maintain and consolidate what it has torn from bleeding Europe. This is the root of the quarrel, there can be no compromise. The House of Commons expressed this by a vote of 341 to 4, which probably represents a higher percentage than would be found over Britain as a whole.

Greeks Near Cross Roads

The Greeks go on from success to success, following up so rapidly behind the retreating Italian armies as to nullify efforts by the Fascist High Command to rally forces for a counter-attack. Two key points in the south have been added to the Greeks' scalp, Sant' Angelo and Argiroukastro, while the right wing is being round to menace Elbasan and hence Tirana itself. Fighting has taken on a new character, nevertheless. Italian rearwards are beginning to hold their ground until they are overwhelmed and the Greek advance may be expected to become progressively more costly and difficult. Strategic possibilities, closely analysed, offer a choice between consolidation on chosen ground, and an unrelenting forward drive to compel Italian withdrawal from Albania and, therefore, from a starting base for later counter-offensive against Papagos' magnificent handling of his opportunities gives him confidence that the decision when reached will be the correct one, weighing all the circumstances.

Nazi Setback Further In Turkey

Britain and Turkey, meantime, have reached an economic agreement more firmly cementing good relations, cutting off a German source of supply yet more effectively. The agreement is strengthening Britain's position in the Middle East. A large proportion of British raw material purchases in Turkey will be paid with the heavy weapons of war of which Turkey is in need. The road to Baghdad for Hitler needs to be paved with something more tangible than von Papen's good intentions.

Credits For Waging The War

The question of credits for Britain has become an active issue in the United States with the return of Lord Lothian and the arrival of Sir Frederick Phillips, the British Treasury official. No decision has yet been reached, nor is it necessary, but the portents are encouraging. The question is not likely to arise until American war production swells until it becomes decisive in scale. When that moment arrives, necessity will override isolationist obstacles. The American loan to Argentina while the Argentine is granting extensive credits to Britain is something more than a straw in the wind.

A Healthy Corrective

The drain on British shipping resources as a result of the intensive U-boat campaign continues, but the immediate consequences can be over-stressed. A healthy corrective to misconceptions was provided by authoritative figures showing that Britain still has enormously greater tonnage to-day than at the outbreak of war. Additions to British mercantile marine strength, from charter, acquisition of allied ships and seizures of enemy ships, total more than 7,000,000 tons. German sinkings are still below the 3,000,000 ton mark though it will be passed, at the present rate, before the end of the year.

Marking Time

In the Far East, Japan makes gestures and noises, and presses her advantages where she can on the Mein Kampf little-by-little plan, but, basically, continues to mark time. The Soviet Government, stimulated perhaps by its Bulgarian success, has proclaimed to Tokyo that its policy of assistance to China has undergone no change, and as though to assist Tokyo to think, Germany declines to commit herself to recognition of the Nanking regime. China thanks Germany for nothing, but Japan must be even more exercised doing the same thing!

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THE FALL OF SANTI QUARANTA

MORE DETAILS have come through about the fall of Santi Quaranta to the Greeks.

Three days before, the Greeks occupied strategic heights around the town, until the Italians only had one line of retreat.

At noon on Wednesday, an Italian destroyer entered the port with a convoy to take off the headquarters staff.

The convoy was heavily bombed by the R.A.F. and the destroyer is reported to have been sunk.

A fierce battle occurred on the air by British and Greek aircraft, a shortage of food and air-vest among the Albanians.

In certain sectors, the Fascists are having great difficulty in feeding their troops. Some prisoners say that they have been without bread for nearly a week.

There does not appear to be any organised Albanian revolt as yet, but there are frequent reports of fighting and sabotage.

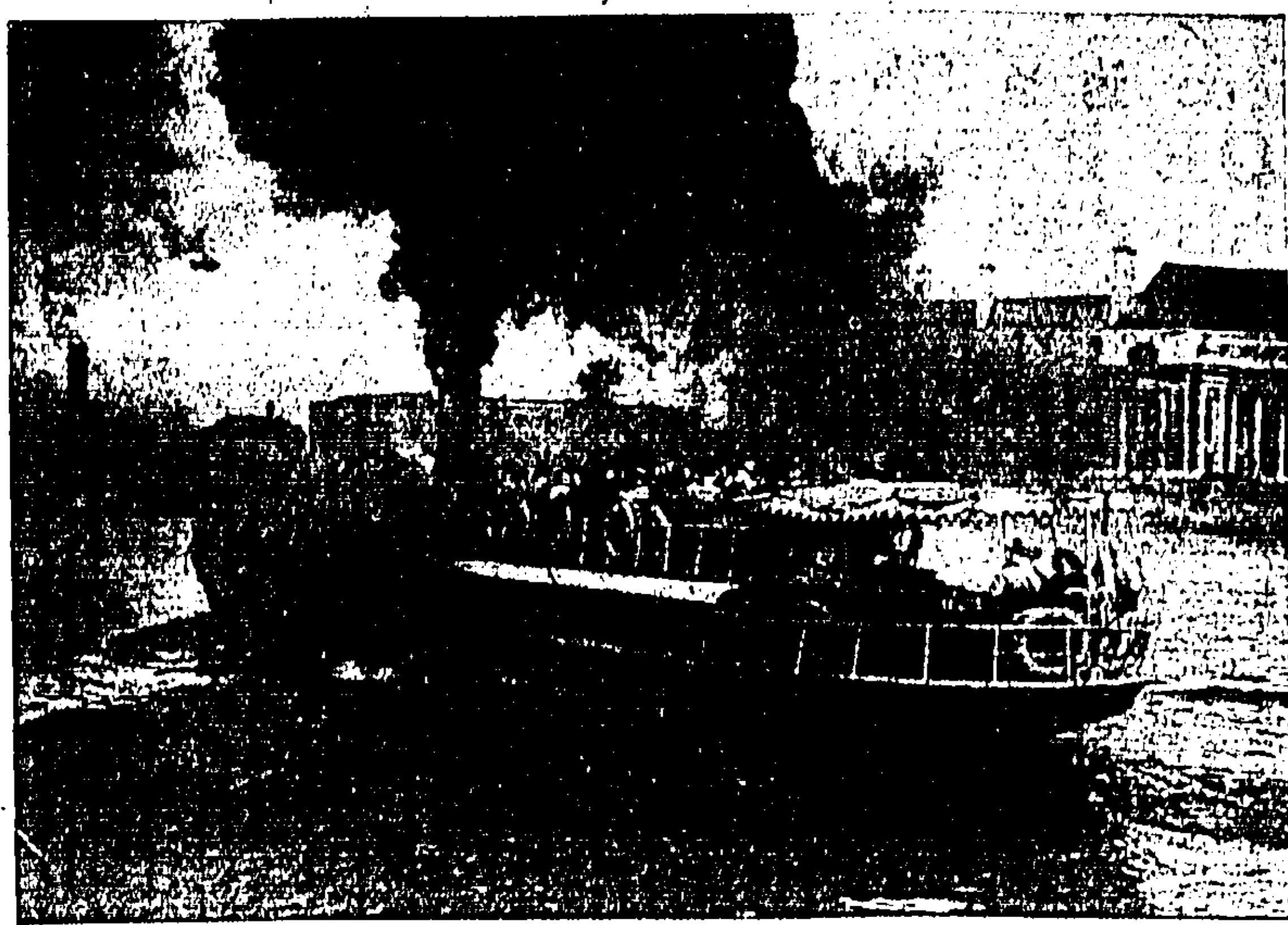
Recently, 80 Albanians were executed by the Italians in an attempt to keep sabotage in check. — Reuter.

Sad Confession!

For the first time, the Italian High Command communique issued on Friday mentioned the fighting in Albania—and not Greece, as they have been doing hitherto.—Reuter.

Harried From Air

The difficulties of the Italians are increased by harrying from



The new river passenger boat service on the Thames at London, attempted primarily to relieve congestion on the roads and railways, has been a great success, and founders of the scheme have hopes of continuing the service after the war. Passengers crowd the decks of one of the boats in the new inaugurated river service.

ITALIAN FIGHTER PILOTS LIKE A BUNCH OF AMATEURS

ITALIAN DESTROYER CAPTURED

When the Greeks entered the Albanian port of Santi Quaranta they found an Italian destroyer lying in the harbour, according to American news reports.

If these reports are correct, the destroyer is presumably the one on which the R.A.F. scored two direct hits on Wednesday.

It was to have been used to embark Fascist officials and their documents.—Reuter.

DID NOT KNOW BRITONS

THE SECRETARY FOR SCOTLAND, SPEAKING IN GLASGOW YESTERDAY SAID: "IT IS DOUBTFUL WHETHER ANY CITY HAS EVER WITHSTOOD AS DIRE AND PROLONGED AN ORDEAL AS LONDON HAS SUFFERED IN THE LAST THREE MONTHS."

Nevertheless I do not share the view of the writer who said that London lay at the mercy of the enemy had he but known it. The ordeal was a grim one but the writer did not know the British people quite well enough. The R.A.F. and A.A. defences never wavered and the spirit of the people was never near breaking." — [The reference is to the Ingersoll article in the New York Journal, "P.M."]

GIFTS FOR THE WAR EFFORT

A further 23,000 has been received in Britain from the Nigerian War Fund, bringing the total to £40,000.

The Governor of the Seychelles has forwarded £291,100 for general war purposes.

The Mayor of Beitoun, South Africa, has sent £1406 to the Mansion House Relief Fund while employers of the Roan Antelope Copper Mines in Northern Rhodesia have sent £827 to the Secretary of State for Colonies. — British Wireless.

CAIRO G.H.Q.'S COMMUNIQUE

A Cairo G.H.Q. communique issued yesterday stated: "In the Western Desert—no change. Sudan—in the Gallabat area our fighting patrols attacked and drove off an enemy machine-gun post in a position east of Gallabat. The enemy sustained casualties, leaving one dead and a quantity of arms and equipment in our hands."

In the Kassala sector our patrols were also active. On the Kenya front there has also been considerable patrol activity. — British Wireless.

DETAILS WERE GIVEN IN A BROADCAST TALK FROM LONDON YESTERDAY OF A FIGHT WITH ITALIAN AEROPLANES OVER THE CHANNEL BY THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF AN AUXILIARY FIGHTER SQUADRON WHO WAS ONE OF THE FIRST PILOTS TO OPEN FIRE ON ENEMY AIRCRAFT OVER BRITAIN AND HAS LED THE SQUADRON DURING THE TIME IT HAS DESTROYED A TOTAL OF 91 VICTIMS.

Explaining how he was forced to fly in the rear of the squadron, owing to engine trouble, the pilot said this accident enabled him to see details of the battle.

The pilot said: "We were on a southerly course approaching Dover when we were warned to look out for a formation of Italian aircraft. Every man was immediately on the alert."

After a couple of minutes we saw the enemy aircraft flying south-west down the Channel. They were still some distance away and 1,000 feet below us. They were Italian fighters, CR42's, and well over the sea flying at about 20,000 feet.

When I first had a good look at them they gave me the impression of a party out on a quiet little jaunt.

There were about 20 of them flying along quite happily in good formation.

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Dead Easy

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They were flying in a wide fan-like formation and when we went to attack each of our pilots selected a particular target.

You can imagine how effective the first few dives were when I tell you that one pilot at one time saw six Italian fighters either on fire or spinning down towards the sea. The Italians showed fight in a way the Germans have never done with our squadron. It is true, though, that they seemed amateurish in their reactions.

Too Late

By that I mean that they were slow to realise we were anywhere near them until it was too late.

After a short while the Italians were dodging this way and that to escape as best they could.

One of them broke formation and turned towards France. I chased him and fired at him several times.

I believe I hit him and could have finished him off if my engine had not begun to splutter again when I was half way across the Channel.

The whole fight lasted only ten or fifteen minutes. — British Wireless.

NEW JAPANESE DEMANDS ON INDO-CHINA

ACCORDING TO THE KUNMING CORRESPONDENT OF THE "TA KUNG PAO" THE JAPANESE HAVE PRESENTED THE FRENCH INDO-CHINA GOVERNMENT WITH A FRESH NOTE.

The note, it is said, demands that the Indo-China Government appoint at least one Japanese national in each of the different government departments.

The note has been referred to the Vichy Government and Admiral Decoux is awaiting a reply.

CHURCHES A MAGNET FOR NAZI RAIDERS

As indication of the indiscriminate damage done by German bombers, especially the destruction of buildings which could by no stretch of the imagination be described as "military objectives," figures given in the Diocesan Magazine of Rochester yesterday are instructive.

In this diocese alone, 41 churches, 21 vicarages and 13 church-halls had been damaged. — British Wireless.

Britain Piles Up Coal

Britain has 9,000,000 more tons of coal in stock this winter than last year.

Coal reserves for gas, railways and electricity are up by over one-third.

Five hundred coal dumps—200 of them in Greater London—have been planned.

Most private cellars are full, and these figures do not include coal waiting transport at pit-heads.

As a result, over 250,000 of the young coal miners are being released for service in the armed forces.—Reuter.

Reserve Age Lower

Raising of the age of reservation from war service to thirty in more than 150 occupations in the coal mining industry, whereby underground workers are mainly affected, was announced yesterday by the Ministry of Labour and National Service and is estimated to release between 50,000 and 300,000 men for service in the armed forces.

Tribunals are being set up in various coal mining districts to report on the number of men under thirty who can be released, and each tribunal will consist of an independent chairman and two representatives each of mine-owners and workers. — British Wireless.

BRITISH RESCUES FROM SEA

In fifteen months of war British lifeboats have rescued 2,754 persons, a higher total than during the whole previous six years of peace it was announced in London yesterday.

In November, 109 lives were saved and lifeboats launched 120 times. — British Wireless.

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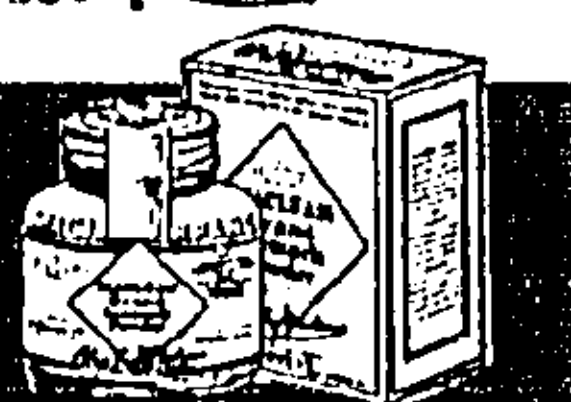
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TO look at Therese (nee Betty) Burnford would remind you of nothing so much as an angry ape. With her bony arms, loose swinging, and ragged mousey hair, you would hardly expect of her a romantic disposition.

Yet, after twenty-two years in the theatre (the first two years in the chorus of No. 3 company), then four years in the wardrobe room, followed by sixteen years as dresser, she still looked on the pale mauve side of things.

Weddings and Shirley Temple and true love stories made her cry. She collected photographs of Clark Gable, and, despite daytime appearances, slept in a half-net. She was as sweet in mind as she was uncouth in looks. And her hair, which had fostered rather than diminished her taste for the maccharine.

The inflated egos of the stage-world thrilled her. She enjoyed consoling, cringing, pandering to her young ladies. She was grateful when they laughed at her. It never struck Therese how man even great actors could be in real life, how synthetic their portrayals of affection.

Now, she had been private dresser to Anna Rambard for the

run of two shows—since, in fact, Anna had been "found" by Goss-well Gill, that great old showman who, they say, can spot talent by sleeping through a show.

Straight from repertory Anna Rambard had, with her first lead-part in "Gossberry Fool," come out tops. There was a quiet, an ethereal quality about her stage presence that, set in the popular type of sex-comedy, appealed directly to the British heart.

Critics applied to her such epithets as Dresden china, child-like, fragile, winning and the disarming ethereal. They never—perhaps this was significant—used the word glamour. She reminded old ladies and gentlemen of the old days and, to the young and boisterous, seemed a nice change from tooth-paste advertisements.

Her way of wearing her golden hair quite loosely in a long bob and her mannerism of shaking it back, like a kid, became quite a vogue.

Therese, of course, adored her. Sold she reminded her of the days she'd read about when the stage-door meant something and "all the gents had top-hats and there were none of these here bumptious upstarts wanting autographs for the selling of them."

It was true that the most unexpected types would send Anna flowers and gifts and beg for introductions. Dear old ladies whose natural habitat is matinee stalls would find themselves, for the first time in their theatre-going careers, writing notes of appreciation, telling Anna all about their gardens or cats or nieces.

Letters would begin surprising-ly with statements like: "Course don't often get to the theatre, rat-catchin' being my employ-ment," or "I was eighty-nine last birthday, but may I say that in the course of my life . . ." or, "My young lady wonders whether you would sign this for our drawing-room which we're going to furnish in the colours like the drawing-room in your play."

It was Therese's job to read Anna's mail to her, between acts while she changed clothes. There Therese would stand, within reach of the dressing table so as to be able to hand Miss Rambard anything she wanted, holding the notes and telegrams up close to her eyes, and reading with full flavoured expression. The repressed actress in her came out so comically that Anna would often ask her friends around to hear Therese "read out."

"Dear Miss Rambard," she would begin with implicit comment which said either "Ah—here's a good one" or "Umph—stodgy old bore," or "Eh—he's a lad."

Anna Rambard savoured her public, but not with quite the same relish as Therese. She would see to it that photographs and were sent when requested and had a secretary to handwrite notes of thanks, but fan-mail proper (the kinds of letter that went on for pages about the writers' home life and personal reactions to Miss Rambard's performance) she would have answered only if Therese suggested they were "genuine" letters.

What constituted a genuine letter was uncertain, but it was accepted between the two women that Therese knew.

The letters from that young Mr. Askew began during the run of "Woman Trouble." They came every day and were unlike all the rest of the mail because they were never about the writer, but always about Miss Rambard.

Sometimes they would be long, intelligent analyses of how the front of the house was reacting to certain passages in the play, or how he thought some slight alteration in Therese's rendering could improve her performance.

Sometimes they would be quite short: an incident or overheard remark of praise that he thought would amuse Anna.

Sometimes an angry note about another member of the cast: "You must not let him steal like that in the second act; it destroys the balance of the play, and anyway we all come to see you." Occasionally it would be a telegram: "Unable to be there to-night. Until to-morrow, Askew."

All his letters were headed "210, Duke Street, W.1." As Therese said, a good, solid address. So the Askew legend grew. He was Therese's lad; a young and brilliant lawyer, not yet famous, but



on the way—you could tell by his writing and his powers of analysis and criticism that his was a legal brain.

He was tall and dark (withness, a short man could never be so disinterested in himself, a blond so patient), with deep-set, thoughtful eyes that had a quiet laugh in them. (Therese insisted upon the laughing eyes; she considered them a certainty from the occasional somewhat academic jokes in his letters.)

His fingers were long and sensitive (hadn't the drawing he sent Anna of herself shown an extraordinary sensibility of touch?). And he loved beauty in "what you call an abstracted way," Therese explained. That was why he had never suggested meeting Anna.

"But one day," sang Therese's old heart, "he'll come, miss, and then you'll know what it's all about!"

"What what's all about, Therese?"

"Why, love, miss," Therese pronounced the word "love" in two syllables, and in the tone of voice she applied to Charles Boyer.

Anna laughed. "Therese, dear, you're a little crazy. You know I'm in love with Guy." Therese pursed her lips into a snout. More than once she had heard Guy Mathers refer to her as the toothless hag. "Get rid of the toothless hag, darling," he'd whisper at the top of his voice. Well, if she was a toothless hag, Therese commented mentally, he wasn't so hot either, with his nimbly laugh and gush.

Anna's appreciation of her unknown was a good deal different from Therese's. She was flattered by his enthusiasm and enjoyed his comments on her acting, her clothes, her audience. But, as with most attractive women, she was interested in admiration only if it was hard-earned. Faintly, pleasantly, Askew's communications bored her. She called him "the Pet."

"Therese, fix my hair, will you, and tell me, what does the Pet say to-day? Don't bother to read it out, just tell me." And Therese would comb the lovely head tenderly, visualising her Askew.

"He says he don't like the audience we're getting these last few days. Thinks they're up for the motor show or pumpkin and don't know what good acting is. Just come for a laugh, they do. He says he sat in the gallery last night because they're a better class of people. And he wants you to choose from the two things he's sending you to-morrow. They're books. He's going to mount all your press-cuttings in a book what's worthy. Oh, miss he is a wonderful young man."

Anna smiled tolerantly. "The Pet; he must be quite, quite mad, don't you think?"

Anna was resting after a body message before going to the theatre when Therese rang her that Wednesday.

"Oh, miss. It's ever so exciting; what do you think?"

Anna smiled back a job of irritation at being disturbed. "What is, Therese? What's exciting? Please tell me."

"It's Mr. Askew. He's coming round to-night. He says, can he come round after the evening show because he's got to go away for two months and won't see you. He wants to show you something he's got for you, too. Oh dear, I'm sure it's a ring!"

When the message came up that Mr. Askew was asking to be allowed up in the dressing-room that evening, there was already a party in Anna's room. Guy Mathers was pouring a whiskey and soda into a tooth glass for Hilda Trench, while Penelope Billings sat behind Anna's screen talking to her while she took off her stage make-up. They were all going on to the same party.

"Oh, really Therese, I can't see him now—can't he come another night?"

When Therese looked pleading her eyes reminded you of a mongrel dog's, so dark, shiny, imploring. Anna looked at her. "Oh, all right, tell them to let him come up. I suppose I've got to see him some time. But just wait until I get into my dress, then I'll be ready."

When the knock came on the dressing-room door, the other three were wrapped and ready to

go. Anna said, "You go on down, I'll be down in a minute." As they went out, jostling, noisy, with Guy snorting, "Now for heaven's sake hurry up and get rid of the Pet, Anna," Mr. Askew came in.

Anna was just finishing powdering her face. "Do excuse me, please, I won't be a minute but I've got to rush off to a party and—" she caught sight of him in the mirror and turned round quickly, surprised.

Askew smiled. Anna, very breathless, began again, real and not conventional apology in her voice now. "Oh—I'm so sorry, I really wouldn't have rushed off like this if—well, if I hadn't promised," she lamed up.

Askew nodded. "Please, Miss Rambard, I understand. Please go on." Anna smiled, gave a funny out-of-key little laugh, and then, in panic, ran from the room, saying "But you'll come again. I know won't you? Good-bye, good-bye." She had ignored his outstretched hand.

Mr. Askew turned to Therese, who was busy fidgeting with the

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things on the dressing-table, a large tear grotesque on the end of her nose.

He said rather quietly (his voice was as Therese had imagined). "You know I'm very disappointed, Therese. I know your name is Therese, isn't it? But I'm not hurt in the way you think I am. I am only disappointed with Miss Rambard. Of course it was a shock to her to find that I was a cripple. But you know there is one requirement for a great actress—or a great lady. She must never allow herself to be surprised into showing emotion when she does not intend to. Miss Rambard is thinking at this moment how much she must have hurt me with her pity. She didn't, of course; I am quite used to my deformity, and the looks it provokes. But I can never forgive her for being such an undisciplined actress. I've always been afraid that seeing her might spoil it all. Of course if I hadn't to go and have an operation (they've still some hope of straightening me out) I'd never have put her to so strict a test."

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(By Our Air Correspondent)
R.A.F. MEN not only like to shoot down German 'planes, they are keen to collect them, to reconstruct them and see how well, or otherwise, they fly.

Sometimes two or three crashed aeroplanes supply the bits and pieces to make one. Then R.A.F. test pilots and Air Ministry technical experts get to work.

These engineers and scientists study construction methods, analyse the metal of the body and engines, examine every detail of radio, armament and other equipment, and then fly the machines.

On this testing ground many of the secrets of German aviation development are discovered.

The collection of machines is representative of the enemy air force, including the Messerschmitt 109 single-seat and 110 two-seat fighters, the Heinkel 111 bomber and the Junkers 87 dive-bomber and the Junkers 88 bomber and dive-bomber.

They Love Gadgets

There is no sign that substitute materials are being used, except where plastics or synthetic substances would normally be employed. The machines show the German love of gadgets, and their equipment is sometimes over-elaborate and complicated.

Metal in the engines shows what the expert calls microporosity. Under the microscope, a cut section of the castings shows small holes, which may indicate that German engines do not have a long life; they are heavier and slow-running compared with our power units.

Of great interest to the engine experts are the German fuel injector pumps replacing the carburettor.

Each cylinder has a small pump, and the plunger squirts into it a set amount of petrol. One advantage is that icing-up of the carburettor is avoided.

Self-Sealing Tank

The German self-sealing fuel tanks have been found to be very efficient, but very heavy, weighing 4 lb. per square foot of tank wall.

The tanks are built up in several layers. From the outside these are: a thick coating of vulcanised rubber forming the outer tank, a layer of thin treated rubber, then a covering of thick pure rubber, a layer of leather and the inner wall of fibre.

The whole is held firm by a criss-cross of internal fibre stiffeners. When holed, petrol mells the thick pure rubber and closes over the hole.

Part of the emergency equipment of German machines is an automatic radio transmitter which folds up into a tin. When the crew take to their rubber boat, they can set up the transmitter, which sends out an SOS. There is also an umbrella aerial and a kite to carry a larger aerial.

Nazi planes which have been fully repaired and flying tests now carry British camouflage and markings.



A big rubber covered petrol tank taken out of a German bomber which holds 280 gallons. (Copyright, Fox.)

TIME OF DESPATCH ON CABLES

German agency messages contain the curious mistatement that the date and time of despatch may no longer be inserted on overseas telegrams from Britain.

It is suggested this is the result of a Government order intended to conceal delay in transit.

Nazi propagandists have discovered a mare's nest. There has been no interference by the authorities in London with normal telegraphic practice and no Government order of the kind suggested has been made. — British Wireless.

U.S. NAVAL SPEED-UP

America's naval building programme has been greatly accelerated, the U.S. National Defence Commission announces.

Ships are being commissioned at the rate of one every 12 days. The time for the construction of submarines has been reduced from 30 to 24 months, while destroyers are being launched three months ahead of time-table. — Reuter.

BRITISH SHIP PURCHASES

Sixty fast 10,000-ton merchant ships are to be built in the United States for Britain, it is reported.

The British Purchasing Mission and the U.S. Maritime Commission are reported to have worked out a plan whereby certain parts for the ships will be built inland and sent to the shipyards for assembly. — Reuter.

GENERAL GOUGH'S MESSAGE TO FINNS

General Sir Hubert Gough, who was chief of the Allied Mission to the Baltic in 1919, sent a message to Finland on Friday, when that country celebrated Independence Day.

He said in part:—"The Finnish people have set an example to the whole world to-day that freedom is worth fighting for and to preserve the soul of the people no material loss is too great." — Reuter.

LOCAL SHARES

The market continues its upward trend with sustained enquiries at higher rates. Though the turnover is not big, any shares offered are readily absorbed, and better prices are obtainable for larger parcels of shares.

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500 Watsons @ \$10.00
100 Electric (Old) @ \$30

3,500 Ropes @ \$7
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NETHERLANDS NAVY CASUALTIES

London Headquarters of the Royal Netherlands Navy yesterday published a casualty list containing the names of 22 officers and men, including fleet air arm personnel, who have recently lost their lives or active service with the Royal Netherlands Navy now operating from British shores. — British Wireless.

BANKRUPTCY ORDER GRANTED

AT THE BANKRUPTCY COURT YESTERDAY, BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR ATHERTON MACGREGOR, A RECEIVING ORDER WAS MADE AGAINST THE HING CHEONG FIRM, FORMERLY OF NO. 313, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, AND NOW OF NO. 95, WING LOK STREET, SECOND FLOOR.

The petitioning creditor, Wong Lam, managing partner of the Wah Kee firm, Lower Macao Row, was represented by Mr. C. A. S. Huse, who said that a previous application had been refused owing to want of reliable information regarding the assets of the firm and unless an adjudication order was made, the other creditors would not get anything. The assets amounted to \$8,500 and the liabilities to \$73,065.

The order was made after evidence had been given by the petitioning creditor and no objection was raised by Mr. J. B. Prentis, the Official Receiver.

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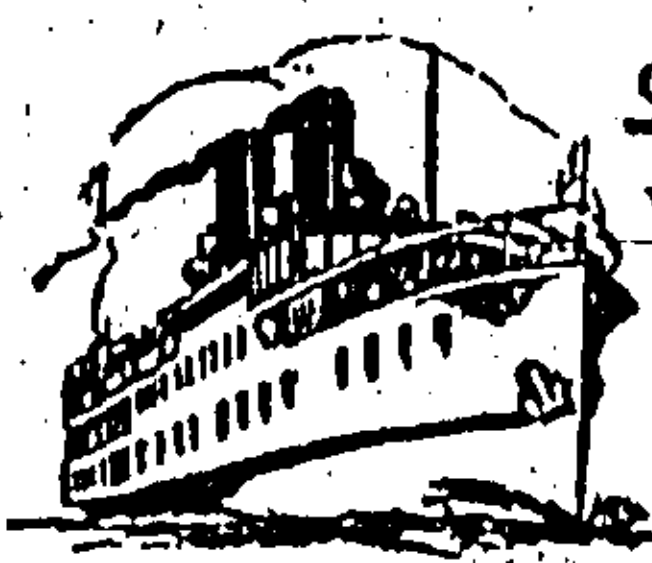
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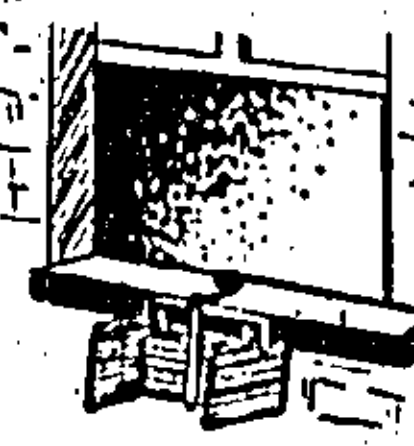
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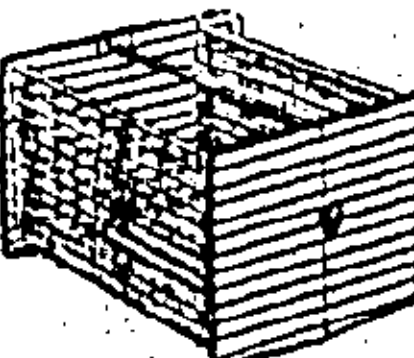
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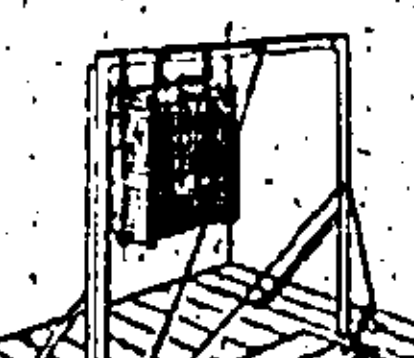
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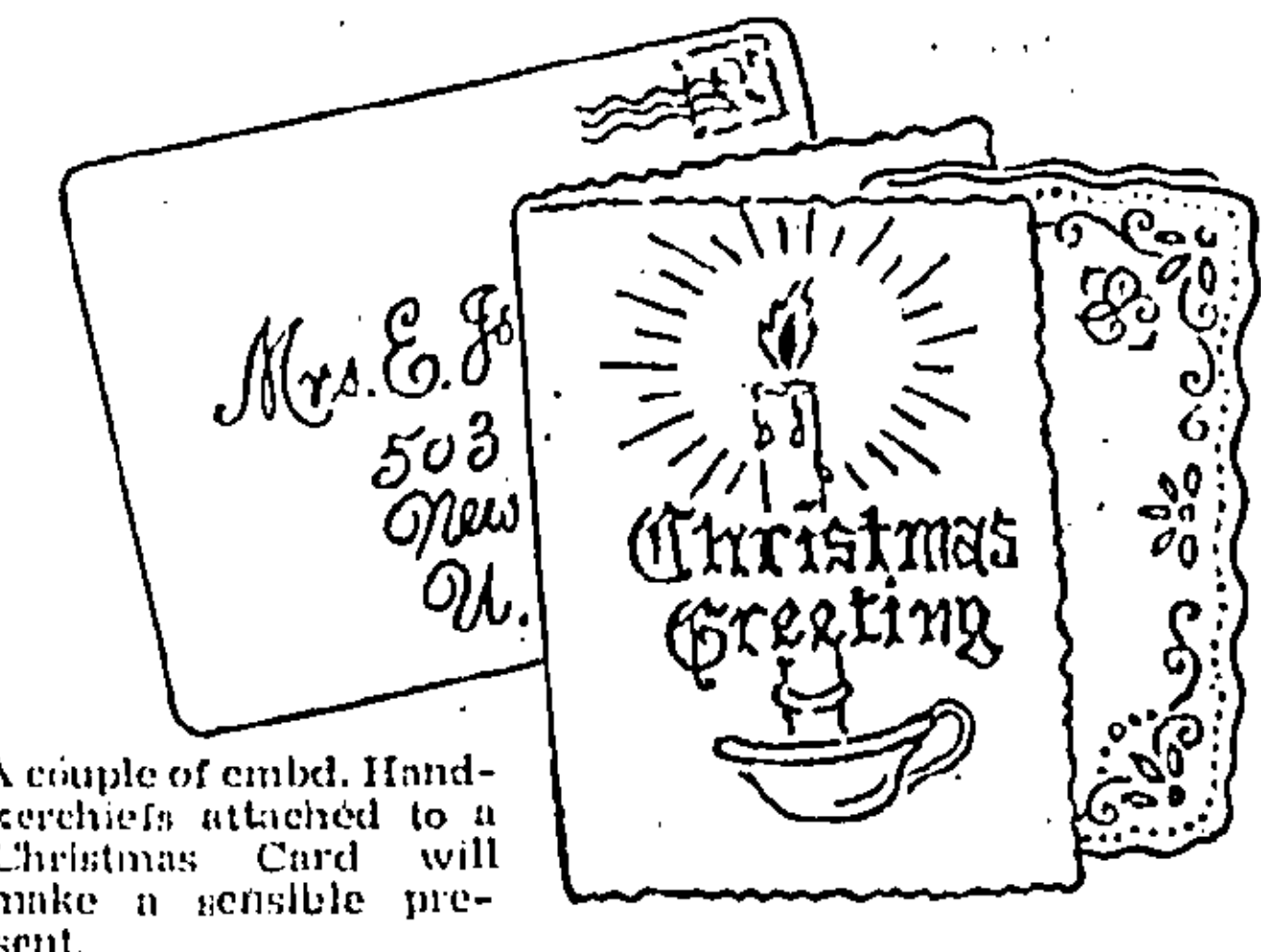
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Xmas Presents That Can't Be Bought

"If parents would give more of themselves and less of things, children would be much better off." This statement was made by a teacher. It might be added that if we—parents, brothers, sisters, friends, sons and daughters—would give more of ourselves, many would be better off, including ourselves.

As the Christmas month comes round we are thinking of presents for one another. For most of us it is a happy thought, coming out of a right desire to give pleasure, to indicate affection.

Yet one of the finest Christmas presents I ever knew about, was never bought in a shop. It con-

sisted of the 52 evenings a certain man gave his young son for the coming year. Fifty-two evenings—one a week—presented in a letter to the boy at Christmas time.

"Dear Bob," the letter ran in effect, "seven years of your life have gone by and you and I have not found nearly enough time to do things together. I'd like us to be real friends and pals. So my biggest Christmas present to you this year—and one that will be a present to me, too—is to get aside a full evening of my time once a week that is to be entirely yours. Let's take Fridays, and when for any reason you or I can't make it some other evening, or sometimes change it to a Saturday or Sunday afternoon for something special. We'll have hobbies together, and make that boat you spoke of, and take long walks, and visit industrial plants. It is to be our time together, and is my Christmas present to you."

A teacher thought of a new gift for her aunt. Instead of a short, in-the-dark present, she thought, sharing her experiences? Yet, one long letter would be heavy reading and then be all over. So came the decision: a series of letters, shorter ones, coming at regular intervals. She wrote a holiday greeting full of fun and activity, full of her experiences with the children, and containing the promise of further letters. "It is the most wonderful Christmas present I have ever had," her aunt said, reading aloud cherished bits from the letters that came winging in at intervals of about a fortnight. The gift, by the way, was repeated the next year, and in the end continued as long as the aunt lived.

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In planning them remember that fresh vegetables do not contain the same food constituents as meat. For this reason the vegetable meal must be rounded out, or balanced by one or more of the meat substitutes—cheese, nuts, eggs, milk, fish and the dried legumes, that is, peas, beans, and lentils.

By using vegetables, which are more pleasing to the framework of the meal, so to speak, and filling in with the more expensive meat substitutes, you can achieve a meal that is economical, satisfying, delicious. And it will prove an easy matter to provide the family with a sufficient quantity of vegetables to meet the requirements of the new balanced budget ration, in which a fourth of the food money should be spent for vegetables and fruits.

We have succeeded in making the service of meals attractive. Casseroles, planks, special platters, all have found a place in our homes. We have bought special salad bowls and dessert dishes. Why not turn our attention to one of the most important of foods—more than a cup and a half of white sauce mixed with a third cup of mayonnaise and the juice of half a lemon.

I have found a big Mexican earthenware platter perfect for vegetable service. It adds a touch of color and a decorative effect. Sometimes I present a vegetable meal in regal splendour on a wooden plank—a "nut steak" with Duchess potatoes can look just as attractive as a planked sirloin. Again I cook a big brown casserole of winter vegetables and serve it steaming hot, or I arrange steaming boiled potatoes, onions, carrots and string beans in rows on my grandmother's old blue willow-ware platter, and pass a big pitcher of Danish Sauce to enjoy with them. The sauce is nothing more than a cup and a half of white sauce mixed with a third cup of mayonnaise and the juice of half a lemon.

If you are planning to buy a special platter for vegetable meals, I suggest something in chromium, enameled aluminum, stainless steel, or earthenware that will stand oven heat, for a vegetable meal should be served very hot. For extra deliciousness, after arranging for service, dot the vegetables with butter and heat in the oven until the butter melts.

Cauliflower Vegetable Platter

Cauliflower on Toast with Cheese Sauce

Browned Whole Sweet Potatoes
Shredded String Beans
This vegetable meal looks most attractive when it is arranged on a big platter or tray, the sections of cauliflower with the cheese sauce on toast in the centre, the browned sweet potatoes ranged along each side and the string beans at each end. Try dusting the yellow cheese sauce with a little paprika just before serving, and see how the colour adds an appealing glow and completes the "picture."

To make this into a complete meal, start with tomato soup or hot spiced tomato juice as the first course. Serve extra toast, made at the table, with the main course. And top it off with glazed baked apples and warm gingerbread.

Here are the more unfamiliar recipes:

RABBIT SAVOURY

THIS is a favourite, and savoury, way to serve rabbit.

Ingredients: 1 rabbit, 2 slices fat bacon, 1 onion, 1 tablesp. flour, 1 pint water, salt and pepper.

Wash, wipe and dry the rabbit after cutting it into pieces.

Fry the bacon, put it aside on a hot plate, then fry the onion. Season the flour with pepper and salt, and roll the rabbit pieces in this mixture.

Fry them in the bacon fat. When brown, remove the meat, put in the remaining flour to brown a little, then season and add the water. Boil up, stir well, and put in the meat.

Simmer gently for about 1½ hours, adding the bacon at the last to re-heat.

Any rabbit left over can be minced down with a little melted butter, and a pinch of mixed herbs to make a savoury spread for supper sandwiches.

Cauliflower on Toast

Trim the coarse outer stalks from a large cauliflower, but leave on the inner ones. Separate the cauliflower into eight sections, and boil, covered in salted water, until barely tender, about 20 minutes. Drain, saving the water for soup. In the meantime prepare a cheese sauce and make the toast.

Cheese Sauce

4 tablespoons flour
4 tablespoons butter
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
1 cup grated strong "store" cheese
2 cups hot milk

Mix flour and butter in a saucepan. Add salt, pepper, and cheese. Mix well. Slowly stir in milk. Stir constantly until mixture boils. Then beat smooth with eggbeater.

Glazed Baked Apples

Core and half peel eight greening apples. Place skin side down in a baking dish. Combine 1½ cups sugar with 1 cup water and ½ teaspoon cinnamon and pour over the apples. Bake in a moderate oven (350 deg.-375 deg. F.) for an hour, or until tender. Occasionally with the sugar syrup. When baked, slip under the broiler for a moment to brown and glaze the top. When apples are half peeled in this way, they will not burst while baking.

Everyone appreciates food that has shape, and form, that shows at a glance what it is, and that looks attractive and substantial. To this end we can make good use of stuffed vegetables as main dishes, such as acorn squash, small egg-plants, turban squash, tomatoes, and green peppers. Any one of these may be used as the principal dish of a meatless meal.

Stuffed Vegetable Platter

Baked Tomatoes, Cheese Ramequins, Celery, Mashed Eggplant.

Cracked Wheat Muffins.

To make this into a substantial meal, first serve bean soup—Brazilian Black Bean Soup is delicious. And for dessert try a warm Upside Down Pear Cake, with warm clove-flavoured lemon sauce.

To make this look as luxurious as it is delicious, put the tomatoes in the centre of a big platter. Surround with the ramequins, put the eggplant at each end, and sprinkle it with minced parsley, and decorate with celery.

Swiss Cheese Ramequins

Combine one-fourth pound grated Swiss cheese with 1 teaspoon chopped fried onions, beaten egg, ½ cup cream or milk, and salt and pepper. Put in tiny crust-lined tart pans and bake.

Mashed Egg Plant

Broil one medium egg plant until skin is browned and cracked. Peel, mash egg plant. Add ½ teaspoon salt, 4 tablespoons lemon juice, 3 tablespoons olive oil and ¼ cup sesame seed paste or ground almonds. Beat; sprinkle with parsley.

Upside Down Pear Cake

Butter a medium sized round cake pan, and arrange in it a thick layer of 2 cups peeled sliced pears mixed with ½ cup brown sugar, the juice of ½ lemon and ¼ teaspoon ground clove. Cover with a plain one egg cake batter, and bake 40 minutes in a hot oven (375 deg. F.). Serve warm, with or without a warm lemon sauce.

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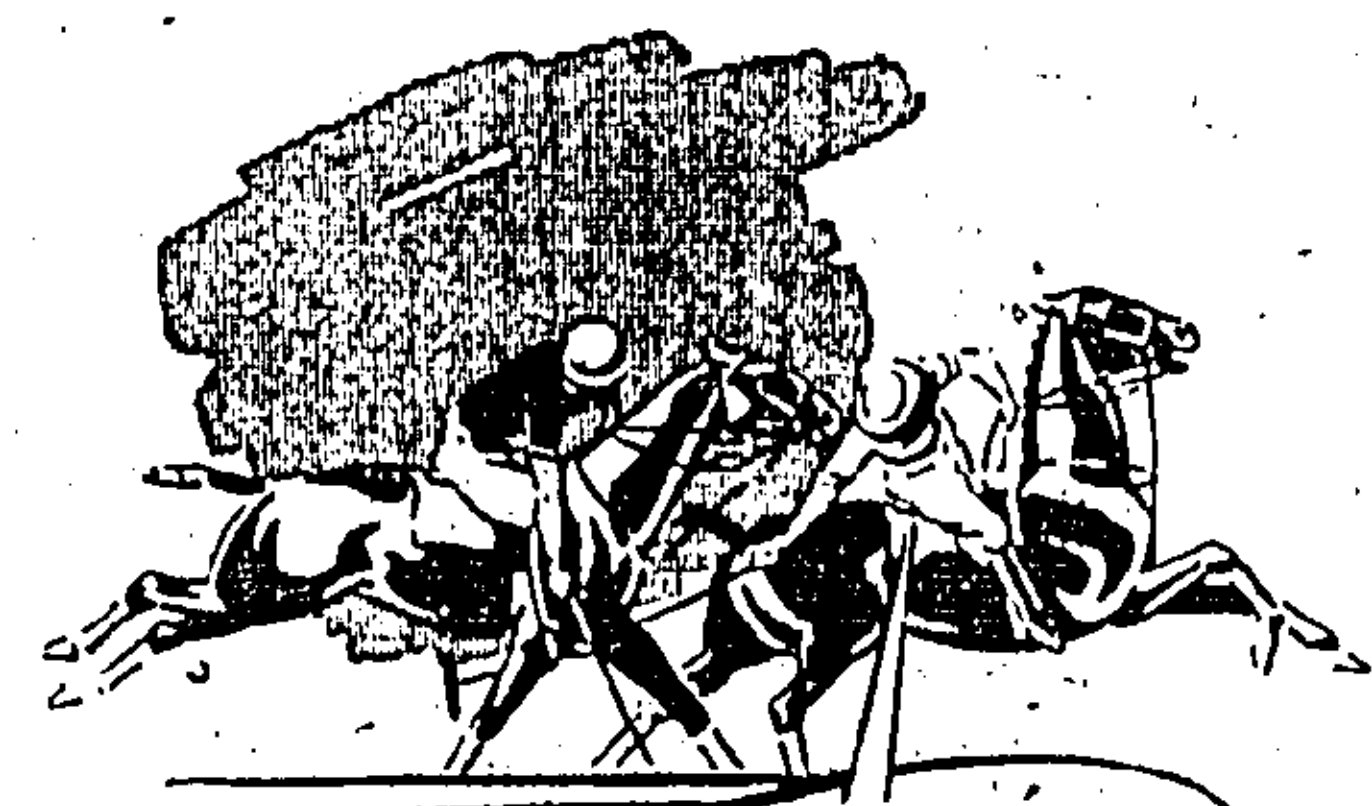
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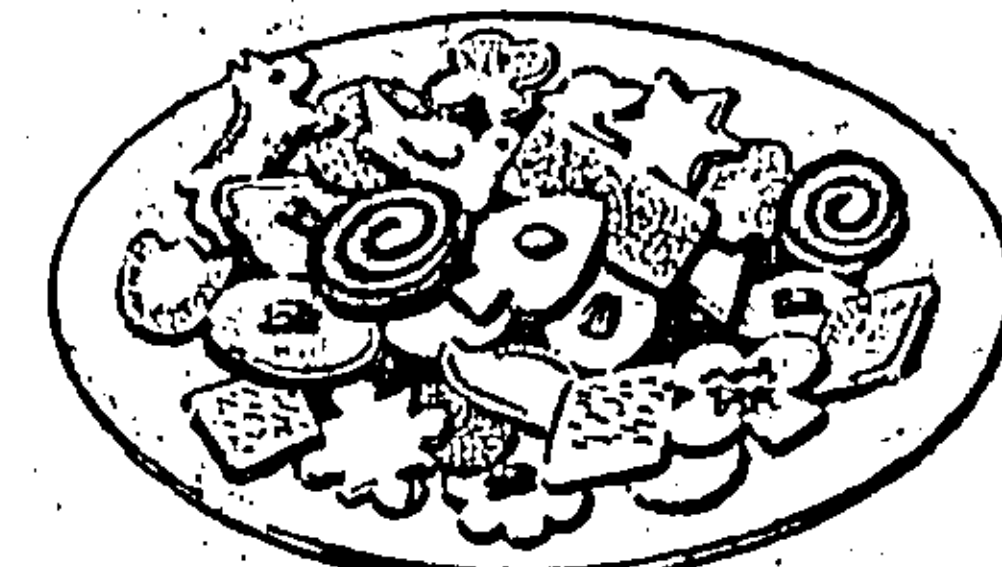
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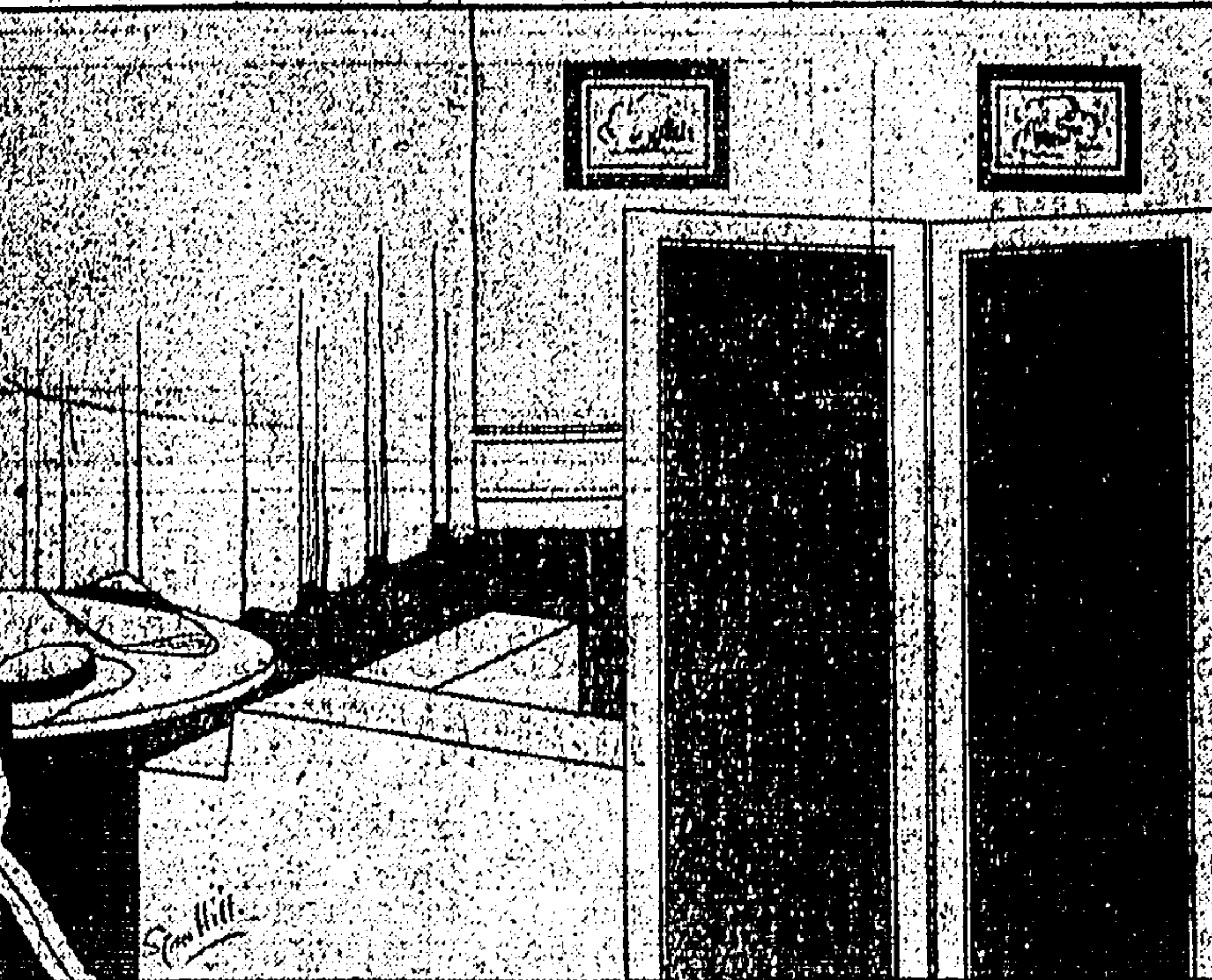
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AND NOW MR PINGLEBODY IN WHAT WAY MAY I BE OF USE TO YOU?

From Inside France

SPAIN is a splendid sounding-board for hearing the echoes of what is going on in the occupied zones, what is happening at Vichy, and what the trend of public opinion is in France and the Netherlands.

There are always people coming through from Brussels or Paris, as well as from Vichy, most of them people who are accustomed to making calm, impartial judgments, and who, by virtue of their positions, can nearly always see what is going on.

Mostly Pro-British

It is wonderful, therefore, to find how they all agree on the following main points:

1. The mass of the French people—men and women, town and country folk—are pro-British, and place their sole hopes in our victory, of which they are now growing more and more assured.

2. Our Royal Air Force are a most wonderful instrument of victory, and are carrying out a terrible work of destruction on the German bases in occupied France and Belgium.

3. Even Vichy itself is mainly pro-British, and though Marshal Petain is left out of the political criticisms, there would be satisfaction at the departure of M. Laval.

4. The Marcel Daut and Fernand de Brion campaign for re-education with Germany is falling on the deafest ears, as even a Spanish journalist resident in

Paris, Mariano Duran, emphasises in a telegram to the newspaper "A.B.C." The French refuse even to be seen with Germans if they can avoid it, and Paris is treating the campaign with cold and silent contempt.

Now here are the stories of representative French men and women to whom I have spoken in the past 48 hours. I cannot give their names as they are still dependent on the Vichy Government, and their views might be considered subversive now that the letter de cachet has been revived and Ministers and others have been imprisoned without any charges being brought against them.

Here is the first of them, a tall, well-set-up man, of 50, in splendid physical condition. He has walked, first, across France from Dunkirk to Bordeaux, and then back across the central mountain ranges to Vichy, inspecting the property of his firm, which is one of the great oil importers of France.

"There is very little petrol in France, thanks to the work of your R.A.F.," he said. "From point to point found depots blown up and burnt out, and the Germans now have to import practically all they need."

"Later I reached Bordeaux, where I had to make an inspection. There it was that I saw the best example of the work of your R.A.F. At the mouth of the Gironde, at Le Verdon, R.A.F. mu-

chines had dropped 50 bombs on the petrol reserves stocked in barges. Forty of the bombs hit the targets, and 38 out of a total of 40 barges were destroyed."

Praised The R.A.F.

Another man I saw had been at Vichy when I visited the French provisional capital in August. He was an air officer, a man of great experience.

When I saw him he was bright and smiling. He slapped me on the back and said: "Why can't you praise your R.A.F. sufficiently? They are wonderful. I have changed my views since last I saw you, and that is solely on account of your Air Force and the indomitable spirit of your people."

Let me close my list with the American wife of a French industrialist.

"I have never seen anything so sad as Paris. Yet this makes me proud to be married to a Frenchman," she said.

"It is superb the way in which Parisians ignore the Germans. When your R.A.F. drop pamphlets they are picked up, treasured, copied out, and handed round."

"The Frenchman wraps himself up in his cloak of cold indifference, and looks across the Channel to his British friends, who, he

RADIO

10.15-11.15 a.m.—Relay of Morning Service from the Methodist Church.
12.15 p.m.—Compositions of Bach: Paganini in C minor (Trumpet) for String Quartet by Alfred Pochon)...Stradivarius String Quartet.
Ave Maria...Gottfrid Ljungberg (Soprano) with Violin, Harp & Organ.
Arioso (Largo) from "Piano Concerto in F Minor" by Joseph Siletti (Violin) with Orch.
Captain No. 65: Arin: Take Me to Thee...Georges Thill (Tenor) with Orchestra.
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SING TAO LINE-UP NOT YET CERTAIN DUE TO INJURIES

BADMINTON TEAMS NOT COMPLETED YESTERDAY

By "Adrem"

INCREASED MILITARY DUTIES ARE ALREADY HAVING THEIR EFFECT ON LEAGUE BADMINTON. THE SEASON WAS DUE TO START TO-MORROW WITH A MATCH AT UNIVERSITY BETWEEN THE HOME CLUB'S "B" TEAM AND CLUB DE RECREIO, BUT OWING TO THE FACT THAT ONE OF THE PORTUGUESE COMPANIES IS IN CAMP, IT HAS BEEN FOUND NECESSARY TO POSTPONE THE FIXTURE.

M. A. Oliveira, Recreio captain, is not going to let the grass grow under his feet, however, and he assured me yesterday that he is making every effort to get this match off in the course of the week, and he has contacted University with this end in view.

Notwithstanding the fact that "B" Division starts on Wednesday it is surprising the number of clubs who have not yet decided on the composition to their teams. Several secretaries told me that they are still not certain who they will have this year, but I expect they will shake down in the course of the next couple of days.

Chinese Bid

From personal knowledge I would name the Chung Wah-Recreio match in "A" Section the best on the programme. Chung Wah, whose players are nearly all drawn from the Jockey Club, had a fairly miserable time in "A" Division last season following their winning of the junior title in 1938/39, and they make no secret of the fact that they are after repeating the latter success this season. Their team is particularly good one and if W. C. Choy turns out for them, as rumour has it he intends to do, their chances will be even brighter.

In other matches King's College should easily beat Victoria Recreation Club, whose members for the most part are more enthusiastic than skilful. K.C.C. should have the better of Police, while St. Andrew's, who have lost Gilles, Colony junior champion, to Police, are unlikely to get many games from Kowloon Tong, who thus early are considered to be strong contenders for the title.

Following is the junior programme for Wednesday: "A" SECTION V.R.C. v King's College Chung Wah v Recreio "B" SECTION K.C.C. v Police Kowloon Tong v St. Andrew's

TO-DAY'S HOCKEY

Following is to-day's Tournament Hockey programme and some of the teams:

11 K. University v A. N. Other XI (Pokfulam, 10.30 a.m.) (V. Indle and J. Tomlinson) Royal Engineers v Police "A" (Sookunpoo, 10.30 a.m.) (J. W. Dove and W. Wattem.) 5th A. "B" v Punjabis (Lycerum, 10.30 a.m.) (T. A. Tyas and L. Combe.) Gunboats v Signals (Navy, 10.30 a.m.) (A. N. Other and Wellington.) Khalsa v Destroyers (Boundary Street, 2.30 p.m.) (J. T. Gutierrez and P. Saxby.) Nomads v C.B.A. ("V.V.", 4 p.m.) (K. Hussain and G. Gorman.)

Nomads: A. E. Silva; J. Soares and R. Xavier; H. Gubbay, R. J. Reed and L. Souza; R. M. da Silva, J. H. Franco, F. A. Reed (Capt.), P. Bull and R. Xavier.

Police: Naranjan Singh; Blackburn and Man Singh; Leslie, Parker and Gough; Wall, Howell; Jasbir Singh; Hayward and Brown.

C.B.A.: A. N. Other; D. Taylor and Ainslie; M. Dunne, Ure and Blake; D. Smith, Bickford, T. Whitley, E. Fowler and F. Fowler. Reserve—Bull.

A. N. Other: K. J. Maxwell; Li Gunner and D. Yeurief; H. B. Jordan, D. McCallan and R. Waldron; J. T. K. Gilchrist, W. Aisley, H. Hillebeck, J. Morgan and Capt. C. Patterson.

NO CLUB FIXTURES THIS MONTH

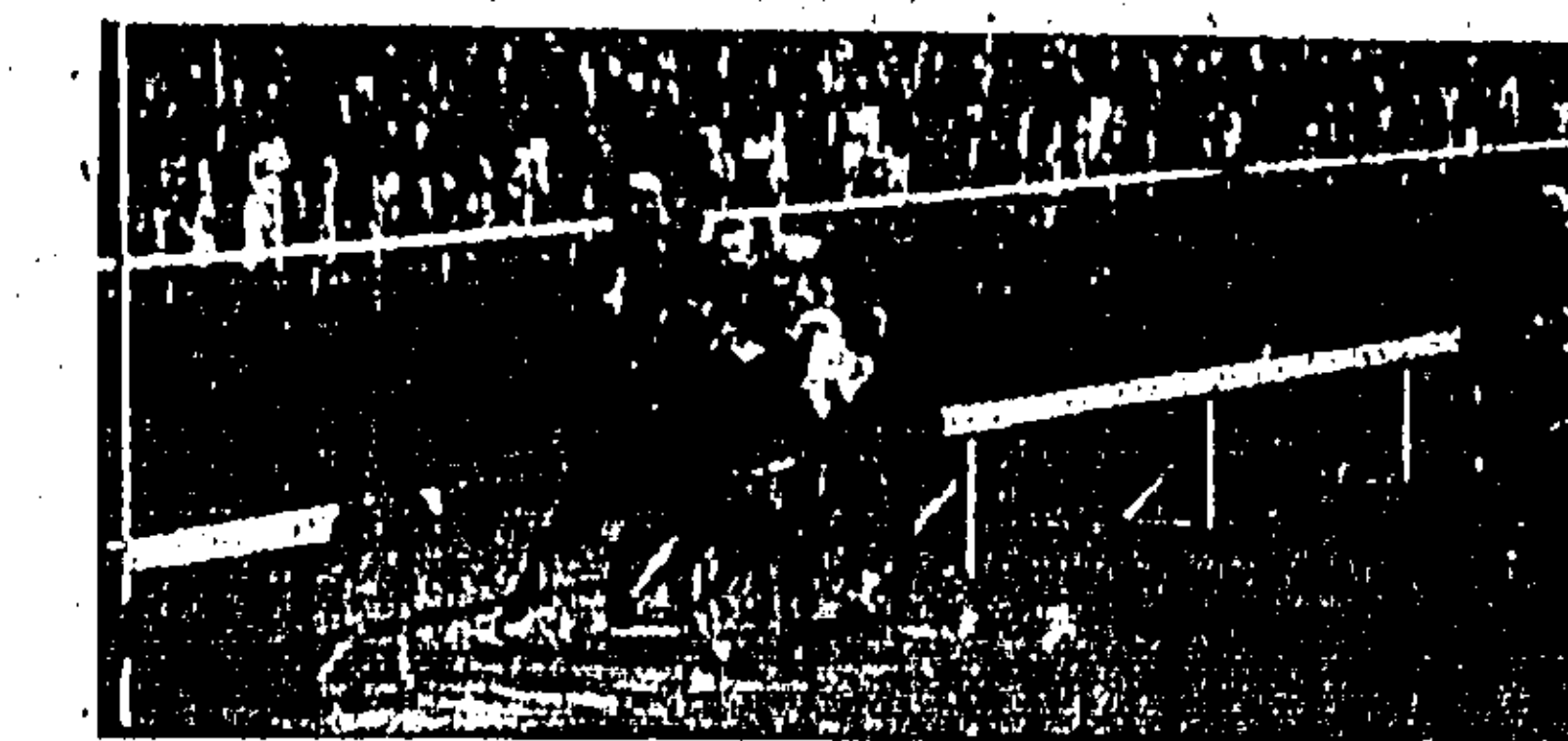
Hong Kong Hockey Club have no further fixtures for this month owing to Volunteer Camps and other reasons. The annual Triangular Tournament, between Club Army and Navy, starts next month.

TO-DAY'S CRICKET

Kowloon Cricket Club will entertain an eleven from Army in a friendly cricket match to-day, commencing at 11 a.m. Following will represent the home team: E. C. Fincher (Capt.), D. J. N. Anderson, N. D. Lloyd, D. Hung, E. F. Fincher, A. Zimmermann, F. R. Zimmermann, N. A. E. Mackay, W. L. Ripley, S. A. Gray and E. L. Arthur.

Twelve: Mann—K. M. Baxter; Scorer: T. W. Carr; Umpire: J. P. Robinson.

Tong Shu-fai, Chung Shing Benevolent Society water-polo goalkeeper, has taken to softball. He has signed up for South China in Junior Division and will probably play against Liga to-day.



MANSION TO BE GIVEN CHANCE ON MOUND TO-DAY AGAINST CANADIAN CHINESE

By "Grandstand"

Volunteer camping has curtailed the Softball League programme for to-day, and only nine games are on the card, three games having been postponed.

In the opener of the Senior League, at 1.30 p.m. at K.F.C., Saints, without the services of Stan Leonard and Ozo Ozorio, will take on Canadian Chinese, and should be able to come out on top, even with the depleted team.

Charlie Manson, who has been carried as a batting practice pitcher, will be given a chance against the Canucks. Manson claims to have fanned five Tuckmen in a friendly last week. Albert Leonard, utility, and Jindoo Hussain, centre-fielder, will probably be thrown in to fill the vacant infield positions, whilst first-string hurler Frankie "Bashful" Gonzales will be chasing flies in the centre patch.

Immediately after this game, at 2.45 p.m., Hong Kong Baseballers clash with Chinese Baseballers, and this corner gives the nod to the Waggonmen to notch up their fifth consecutive win, unless

mentor Abe Liu can field his full team, which has only appeared once to date, when they were seen in action against Filipinos.

The Recreio-Ace-Filipinos game has been postponed. Of the two Junior League games arranged, the V.R.C.-Royal Engineers clash, at 11.30 a.m. at Chatham Road, should be well worth watching. Sappers showed good form in a few pre-season friendlies, and their four losses in the league are a disgrace. The Victorians are the stronger squad, and should finish with the long end of the score in this tilt.

C.B.A. meet 8th R.A. at 12.45 p.m. on the same ground.

Two Pushovers

Both games scheduled in the Inter-Hong League will be played off, the Green Spots-Lucas tussle, on the Marina ground at 10 a.m., being the better game, as the players from both teams are of first division standard. At 11.15 a.m. Shell tangle with Texaco on the same ground.

In the Ladies' League, Wildcats and the Cardinals should have pushovers when they tangle with Chung Wah and Little Flowers at 9 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. respectively at K.F.C. The only game of any interest will be the Canadian Chinese-Baby Panthers tussle, at noon at K.F.C. The Pantherettes did not do so well against the Ramblerettes last week, when they committed two blunders, but should they hit their early season form again they will give the Canucks a good run for their money. The heavy hitters in the Canucks line-up are second-sacker Ullian Khoo and short-stop Jean Lee, and if twirler Lella Xavier can hold these two down the Panthers stand a good chance. Mary Ng will be on the mound for the Canadians, but she has not shown anything like her pennant-winning form of last year, and only succeeded in fanning one last week.

CLUB BOWLS RESULTS

Following are the latest Club lawn bowls tournament results:

Singapore Championship: J. Fraser beat V. C. Labrum. Handicap Doubles: F. Goodwin and Mr. Meadows (plus 1) beat W. G. Giffin and Lee (plus 1).

KOWLOON D.C.C. Club Championship: Second Round: J. Fraser beat G. W. Doughty; E. A. Atkins received a w.o. from J. Watson. Third Round: W. S. Drake beat J. McKelvie.

Vice President's Cup: Second Round: J. Fraser beat H. L. Scarle; E. A. Atkins received a w.o. from W. White; G. H. Sherriff beat W. S. Drake; E. V. Seagle received a w.o. from T. Coleman.

President's Cup: Second Round: H. White beat G. H. Sherriff; A. Macdonald received a w.o. from A. E. Cheeman.

The Wahooks' softball team will soon be able to look forward to their League matches with confidence, as Miss Theresa Noronha, their star pitcher of last season, returned to the Colony from Manila on Thursday. She will not pitch in the next few games, however, as she will require to get her arm in.

BADMINTON CURIOSITY

An interesting situation arose in the course of the week in a first-round match in the Victoria Recreation Club mixed doubles badminton tournament. The contestants were Sirdar Rumjahn, Colony tennis champion, and Miss L. Curreen, who were owe 10, and C. Arcull and Miss J. Arcull, who were owe 1. The first two games were shared and the score in the final game reaching 13-all, it was decided to "settle."

which meant that the side first reaching five aces would win.

Fighting from a deficit of 0-3, Rumjahn and Miss Curreen made a gallant recovery and reeled off five aces for game and match.

There is a sequel, however, Subsequent reference to the laws of the game revealed that "settling" is not permitted in a handicap match, and it has now been decided that the last game will be replayed.



Three Stars Hurt

By "Referee"

FOOTBALL PROBLEMS

By "The Judge"

Some doubt exists as to whether the referee was right in examining a team's boots before the commencement of a recent First Division League game, but it is laid down in the rules that the referee shall, if required, examine the players' boots before the commencement of the match, or during the game, and players must be ordered off if their boots do not comply with the regulations, but they may return as soon as the fault has been rectified. The referee need not report this offence to the Football Association.

This week's problems are:

Q.1. A referee has occasion to drop the ball to restart the game. If a player persistently plays the ball before it touches the ground (with arms or feet) and after a caution is ordered off the field for ungentlemanly conduct, should the referee drop the ball again or should he give a free-kick against the player who has been sent off the field?

Q.2. A player in his own area is annoyed at the referee's decisions, and after the whistle has blown for another infringement by him he kicks the ball directly at the referee, hitting him in the face. What action does the referee take?

Q.3. A forward beats a back, and as he shoots the back throws a piece of turf and hits the forward on the neck. The forward misses the ball and it goes behind. All this happens within 10 yards of the goal. What action should the referee take? (Answers on Page 18)

TO-DAY'S BOWLS

A friendly bowls game between Bowlers and Cricketers of Civil Service Cricket Club will be played to-day, commencing at 10 a.m.

The Bowlers will be represented by the following: G. A. E. Allison, W. Denkin, M. N. Rukusun (Skip), E. Kirmson, M. Scott, J. M. Purvis, J. Hollidge (Skip), J. R. Carr, W. G. Gardner, V. S. Ebbage, S. Ecclesham (Skip).

Kowloon Dock Recreation Club have invited Prison Officers' Club across the water for a game this afternoon. The latter will be represented by A. W. Hircok, J. W. Grant, S. Hodge, W. J. Bagley (Skip), V. H. Freeman, J. W. Hudson, C. V. McGrath, C. Gowland (Skip), W. E. Webber, A. H. Perry, J. McCutcheon and A. J. Jilott (Skip).

Local indoor bowling enthusiasts will miss C.P.O. Spenko, formerly of U.S.S. Tulsa and a stalwart of the ship's team. He has been transferred.

TO-DAY'S GAMES

Following is to-day's soccer programme: First Division Eastern v Sing Tao (Caroline Hill, 4.00 p.m.)

Second Division Engineers v Navy (Causeway Bay, 2.30 p.m.)

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IN THE LIMELIGHT, NO. 47

OZORIO BACK TO FORM AFTER HAVING HAD CONFIDENCE SHAKEN

H. L. Ozorio, of whom little has been heard in cricket circles recently, jumped into his best form last Saturday at Recreio, taking 7 for 32 against I.R.C.

OZORIO commenced his cricket career at St. Joseph's College in 1928, under the coaching of Br. Oswald, who had secured his County blazer as a fast bowler, and it was as a fast bowler and a big hitter that he first attracted attention. G. A. Somers, who had played a lot of cricket in Trinidad, was then a member of the College—his still is—and among the more promising boys he can remember were A. R. Adams and A. M. Omar, both of whom are still players. Almost every Saturday he scored for Recreio, learning all the time and being particularly impressed by the bowling of G. A. and A. P. Gutierrez.

In 1932 he went up to Hong Kong University but, due to the fact that they had one of their best sides that season—they won the Senior League—he had to be content with a place in the second eleven. During that season, however, he distinguished himself when playing for Medicals against Arts, securing six wickets, including the "hot trick" and the wicket of Donald Anderson, who was then in his prime. In the following season he was promoted to opening bowler in the first eleven, and this commenced a partnership with Eddie Gosano, who has since become one of the best bowlers in the Colony, that was to last seven years in succession—they open the Recreio attack to-day.

One match that stands out in his memory was that between University, wooden batsmen, and Indian Recreation Club, who were fighting hard for the title during the 1935-36 season. He took 3 for 11 in 10 overs and Gosano secured the remaining seven wickets to dismiss I.R.C. for 50 odd on their own ground and give University a sensational win and K.C.C. the title for the first time in five seasons.

NEW STYLE

IN 1937-38 he forsook fast bowling in favour of slow medium pace, and has since been commonly long fingers, being a pianist—but he took a very small part in cricket, being in Shanghai on holiday—a holiday that was disrupted by evacuation and the consequent rough and tumble journey to Hong Kong in a refugee ship, but in 1938-39 he made a very auspicious return to the game, and his devastating form did a great deal towards giving Recreio their first Senior League Championship.

The record of the champions that season was five wins, one tie and one draw, as follows:
Army: 16 (Ozorio 6 for 11 in 6.4 overs, 4 maidens).
C.S.C.C.: 59 (Ozorio 5 for 37).
I.R.C.: 105 for 9 (Ozorio 3 for 42).
C.C.C.: 43 (Ozorio 8 for 12).
K.C.C.: 123 for 8 (Ozorio 4 for 50).
H.K.C.C.: 48 (Ozorio 1 for 28—Gosano had 7 for 10).
Navy: 59 (Ozorio 6 for 27).
The opposition averaged 6.9 runs per wicket, and Ozorio's 31 wickets were taken at an average cost of 6.6 runs apiece.

REGAINS FORM

LAST season he did not meet with anything like the same success, and during race week, when playing for the Volunteers against Club on the Club ground, he was very harshly treated by Major Gosano, who included four or five sixes off him in his 54—Ozorio's final analysis was 7-0-74-3—and this shook his confidence so badly that he was unable to regain his usually accurate

YACHTING RESULTS

Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's 2nd Corinthian Series Championship over 8.5 miles yesterday resulted as follows:

Yacht	Finished
Gull	16.55.45
(Capt. A. O. G. Mills)	
Artim	17.03.39
(Mr. G. G. Wood)	
True Blue	17.05.55
(Mr. L. P. Ralph)	
La Linda	17.06.56
(Mr. C. C. Blake)	
Maurice	17.01.00
(Mr. D. Allen)	
Joan	17.01.02
(Major G. E. Neve)	
Petrol	17.02.33
(Mr. C. F. Hyde)	
Kittiwake	17.05.04
(Mr. A. V. Christenson)	
Isobel	17.05.38
(Capt. L. W. Bonidge)	
Koala	17.08.51
(Mr. M. Johnson)	
Mixed Class	
Alisa	17.00.16
(Lt. E. Hitchcock)	
Wendy	17.02.41
(Mr. H. W. Browne)	
Owl	17.03.34
(Mr. G. L. Eastgate)	
Evelyn	17.07.12
(Lt. Col. G. C. L. Yale)	
Ripena	17.08.37
(Lt. Comm. G. H. Gandy)	
Wedgreen	17.09.36
(Major G. H. Brown)	
Diana	Scratched

NAVY HOLD CLUB TO 5-5 DRAW IN QUADRANGULAR SERIES

ST. ANDREW'S CHIEFTAIN LEADS SIDE TO BIG VICTORY

GREATLY AIDED BY A 38-7 WIN IN THEIR CHIEFTAIN'S RINK ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY BEAT ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY BY 57 SHOTS IN THEIR ANNUAL LAWN BOWLS MATCH AT KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN CLUB YESTERDAY.

The Chieftain failed to score at only five ends and included a five, two fours and three threes in his total.

McKellvie, leading 8-5 at the 6th end, scored 1 4 3 3 5 2 1 to lead 27-5 and win 31-11.

Chalmers, down 6-4 at the 5th end, scored 2 2 1 4 4 7 to lead 28-6 and win 32-17.

Hall, down 22-12 at the 17th, finished up with 4 2 1 2 to lose by one shot.

Sherriff scored at 11 ends and was always in the lead after the 15th, but then scored 2 5 1 0 2 1 to win 21-15.

St. George's: G. E. F. Thompson 7, W. Houston 6, H. G. Cooper 5, W. Watson 4, D. Duncan 3, G. H. Sherriff 2, (Skip) 19.

St. Andrew's: A. MacFarlane 14, R. M. Keown 13, J. Kempton 10, M. Holland 10, (Skip) 10, W. C. Labrum 9, P. S. Cassidy 8.

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Totals 90 153

Gregor Rees opened the scoring for Navy, following a 5-yard scrum, and Hughes failed to improve on the score despite having an easy kick. Winter added to Navy's score after the interval, Hughes again failing, and Club replied with unconverted tries by Lavalle, between the posts, and Lee, both tries being the result of cut throughs by Hutchison, and both of which were unconverted by Carey.

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TOURNAMENT TABLE

	Pts.	Pts.	Pts.	Pts.	Pts.
	P.	W.	D.	F.	A.
Navy	2	1	1	25	5
Army	2	1	1	32	16
Club	2	0	2	18	2
Police	2	0	0	3	9

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CLUB DROPPED A VALUABLE POINT YESTERDAY IN THEIR BID FOR QUADRANGULAR RUGBY TOURNAMENT HONOURS WHEN THEY ENTERTAINED NAVY AND DREW AT 5 POINTS-ALL AFTER CROSSING OVER 5-0 DOWN.

THOUGH A DRAW WAS A FAIR RESULT, CLUB WERE UNFORTUNATE IN SEVERAL RESPECTS. FIRSTLY, THEY HAD TO TAKE THE FIELD WITHOUT JIMMY THOMSON, THEIR BRILLIANT SCRUM-HALF, AND J. C. CHARTER, THEIR VICE-CAPTAIN AND HARD-TACKLING CENTRE-THREEQUARTER, BOTH OF WHOM ARE ON THE INJURED LIST; SECONDLY, THEY HAD A TERRITORIAL ADVANTAGE OVER NAVY; AND, THIRDLY, THEY FINISHED THE FITTER TEAM.

Navy also made two changes, but these greatly strengthened their team. Ruthford was at scrum-half and so allowed Bowden to go on the wing in place of Kennedy. Paul changed places with Honeywell, thus revealing the Navy's intention of concentrating on the Bosanquet-Carruthers wing, leaving McGill and the exceptionally fast Honeywell to keep Stewart in check.

Navy enjoyed more of the game in the first half, their pack playing inspired Rugby, but the very fast pace they set began to take effect half way through the second half, and only poor handling or unnecessary kicking—these kicks enabled the Navy forwards to have a well-needed breather and also wasted valuable time—saved their line.

Carter Badly Missed

Carter was badly missed by Navy at stand-off, O'Riordan being the weak link in the back three. Paul, who was too far back for a pass from Ruthford and the result was a knock-out. Paul was here, there and everywhere, and he gave quite his best display this season, showing excellent understanding with Bowden, who was again very clever in the wing. Honeywell was probably the fastest man on the field, but he had few opportunities. He saved one certain try when he came across and grassed Stewart when that player was going all out for the corner. Honeywell was again very clever in the wing, but he was not so fast as he had been in the 25-yard line, and he only just failed. Day caused a thrill when he cut through the centre, but with only Morahan to beat, he passed to Carruthers, who was immediately brought down from behind by Paul when five yards from the line.

All the Navy forwards played well, were almost out on their feet when the final whistle went. They were the lighter pack, and they were not helped by the fact that Poole lent his weight in the tight only once during the game. Watson, however, managed to get the ball back four times, and he was a cleaner heel than Club's. In the line-outs Navy were inclined to pat the ball instead of catching it, but Beattie, Watson and King, showed them how it should have been done.

In the loose the Navy forwards were much quicker on the ball than Club, and they gave a rousing display. Taylor, Poole, Watson and King being very prominent.

Too Much Kicking

Thomson was badly missed by Club, despite the fact Morgan was at his best. Altkhead was shaky in his handling, and was too apt to find touch instead of opening up the game. Day handled badly throughout, and Carruthers over-looked the ball several times in his eagerness to make ground against a deadly tackling defence. The result was the fast wingers were sadly neglected. Stewart had only one run in the game, and he gained only ten yards on that occasion. Thompson was again sent off at full-back, even after a nasty jar early in the first half.

The forwards were well below last week's form, and it was not until half way through the second half that they began to assert their superiority. Macrae, Ruthford, Palmer, Watson, Longmuir, Beattie, Taylor, Brown, King and Poole.

Club had a great opportunity to secure victory against a weary team in the last 15 minutes, but they threw away valuable minutes by unnecessary "marks" and rough-kicking instead of relying on passing movements that would eventually reach their wingers.

Navy Press Hard

Offside play at forward gave Navy the advantage, but King's kick failed, and at the other end three Navy men went to field a punt ahead by Altkhead and from the resultant loose play that followed Taylor very nearly went over. Then Thompson, in making good his partially failed to touch despite two Club men being up to take a pass, and the ball went right into Bowden's hands, but he passed wildly to Bosanquet instead of Paul when a dangerous move appeared to be developing. Soon after, however, Bowden ducked under Bosanquet's high tackle and broke clean through the Club centre to score an excellent try between the posts. Paul easily converted and Navy were 5-0 up.

Thompson was then injured going down to a forward rush, seemingly in the clutch, but he carried on without medical attention.

WEAK ARMY XV WIN

At Sookunpoo yesterday, a greatly weakened Army fifteen beat Police by two goals, a penalty goal and two tries (19 pts.) to a try (3 pts.), after leading 11-0 at the interval, in the Quadrangular Rugby Tournament.

A fortnight ago Police, who were without Duggie Taylor yesterday, lost to Navy by 20-0.

For Police, Wall was very sound at full-back, and Innes played a fair game in the wing, but obviously does not suit him. The Police back division, however, were not given the best of opportunities due to the overhead service of Riddell from the base of the scrum. At forward Wright, Nooth was in a class of his own, being the best forward on view. He was, however, supported by only Onkley and Dempsey.

Barclay was not impressive at full-back for Army, being faulty in his handling and unreliable in his touch-kicking. Although he improved during the second half, Willis was the weak link in the back division, being very poor in his handling, and in the second half he was placed on the wing, with Pleton as his partner. Hook was always dangerous, despite an erratic game from Wedderburn. Of the forwards Ford again gave Army superiority in the tight scrums and Duke and Millar were outstanding in the loose.

Early Score

After five minutes Army, who were without Coombes for the first 10 minutes, were awarded a penalty kick and Millar landed a goal from 35 yards out. Three minutes later Police were awarded a penalty from about the same distance, but Wall failed to convert. Army went further ahead through good following up by Ford, who fielded a punt from Wall and made a 30-yard run for a try which Millar converted. Millar then narrowly missed converting another penalty kick from 40 yards out. Just before half time, however, Duke pounced on a loose ball and forced his way over close in, but Millar failed to convert.

In the second half Police applied pressure, and when Willis dropped a pass Howlett secured and went over close in, but he kicked his cross-pole. Police then pressed for long periods on end, but failed to increase their score, and, after some good work, Pleton gained considerable ground and from a loose ball Coombes went over in the corner. Millar failed to convert. Barclay was responsible for the final try, gaining considerable ground before passing to Pleton, who made a splendid run to secure a touch down. Ford easily converted to complete the scoring.

Police: Wall, Reay, Howlett, Innes and Dingsdale; Jackson and Riddell; Jennings, Lewis, Cullinan; Hoagard, Oakley; Wright-Nooth, Dempsey and Coombes.

Army: Barclay; Pleton, Willis, Coombes and McDonald; Hook and Wedderburn; Sutherland, Ford, Bonpas; Millar, Eddison; Pinkerton, Duke and Giliam.

H.K. LADIES TOO GOOD FOR SAINTS: WIN 4-0

EIGHT ST. ANDREW'S PLAYERS PROVED NO MATCH FOR NINE HONG KONG LADIES IN A FRIENDLY HOCKEY MATCH AT HAPPY VALLEY YESTERDAY, AND THE ISLAND TEAM WON BY FOUR CLEAR GOALS.

The Hong Kong attack, well supported by a sound intermediate line, led the Saints to a merry dance and had it not been for the brilliant work of Miss June Hall in the Saints' goal, Hong Kong would probably have won by a double-figure score.

At the start of the game was St. Andrew's allowed to adopt the initiative—unless a brief period in the opening stages of the second half can be taken into consideration—and, following their recent convincing display against Central British Association, Hong Kong Ladies must be considered the strongest contenders in the League, which rumour has it will start next month.

Miss Gray, who combined the duties of goal-keeper and both backs, had little to do in spite of her increased responsibilities owing to the efficiency of her intermediate-line in which Miss McCaw and Miss Rachel Smith were outstanding.

Quicker On The Ball

In attack Hong Kong were much quicker on the ball than their opponents and their short-passing consistently rattled the St. Andrew's defence. Only poor finishing—and Miss M. Booker was an outstanding offender in the matter of missing open goals—and the brilliant goalkeeping of Miss Hall prevented Hong Kong from doing less as they liked.

The St. Andrew's team were harassed to such an extent that they were never permitted to settle down. Miss Hall, after a very shaky first-half, gave her finest display of the season in probably her last appearance—she is under medical advice not to play hockey for some time—and Miss Gertie White tried very hard at right-back.

Overcrowding Fault

A change-over of Miss Fitzgerald from left-wing to right-wing in the inter-hostel football and basketball matches, while, as a Freshman, he came fourth to Donald Anderson in the Half Mile at the annual athletic meeting.

Music, however, is his first love, and the name "Oz" and "Lorenzo" are ranked high in Hong Kong, whether in connection with concerts or over the air. He was the pianist in the Troubadours Swing Band, quite one of the most popular in the Colony, and had one very attractive offer made to him to turn professional, but he did not hesitate to decline it—H.J.E.R.

BLOW TO SAINTS

It is learned that Miss S. Birchall, who arrived here recently, gave a very promising display and should do better as she settles down, but no other member of the attack did anything of note at any time.

Hong Kong's goal-scorers were Miss Quin, Miss Simpson, and Miss M. Booker (2).

ST. ANDREW'S: Miss June Hall; Miss G. White, Miss J. Wong and Miss G. Darby; Miss Betty Fitzgerald, Mrs. A. Zimmern, Miss Birchall and Miss H. May.

H.K. LADIES: Miss E. M. Gray; Miss R. Smith, Miss M. McCaw and Mrs. W. Dalziel; Miss M. Smalley, Miss M. Simpson, Miss M. Booker, Miss N. Quin and Miss J. Booker.

Smith Scores 3 Goals

The hockey match between Y.M.C.A. seniors and Police, which was to have been played at King's Park yesterday afternoon, was postponed owing to the non-appearance of the latter team.

Y.M.C.A. however, played a friendly game against a Royal Scots side and won by 5 goals to 1 after sharing two goals at the interval.

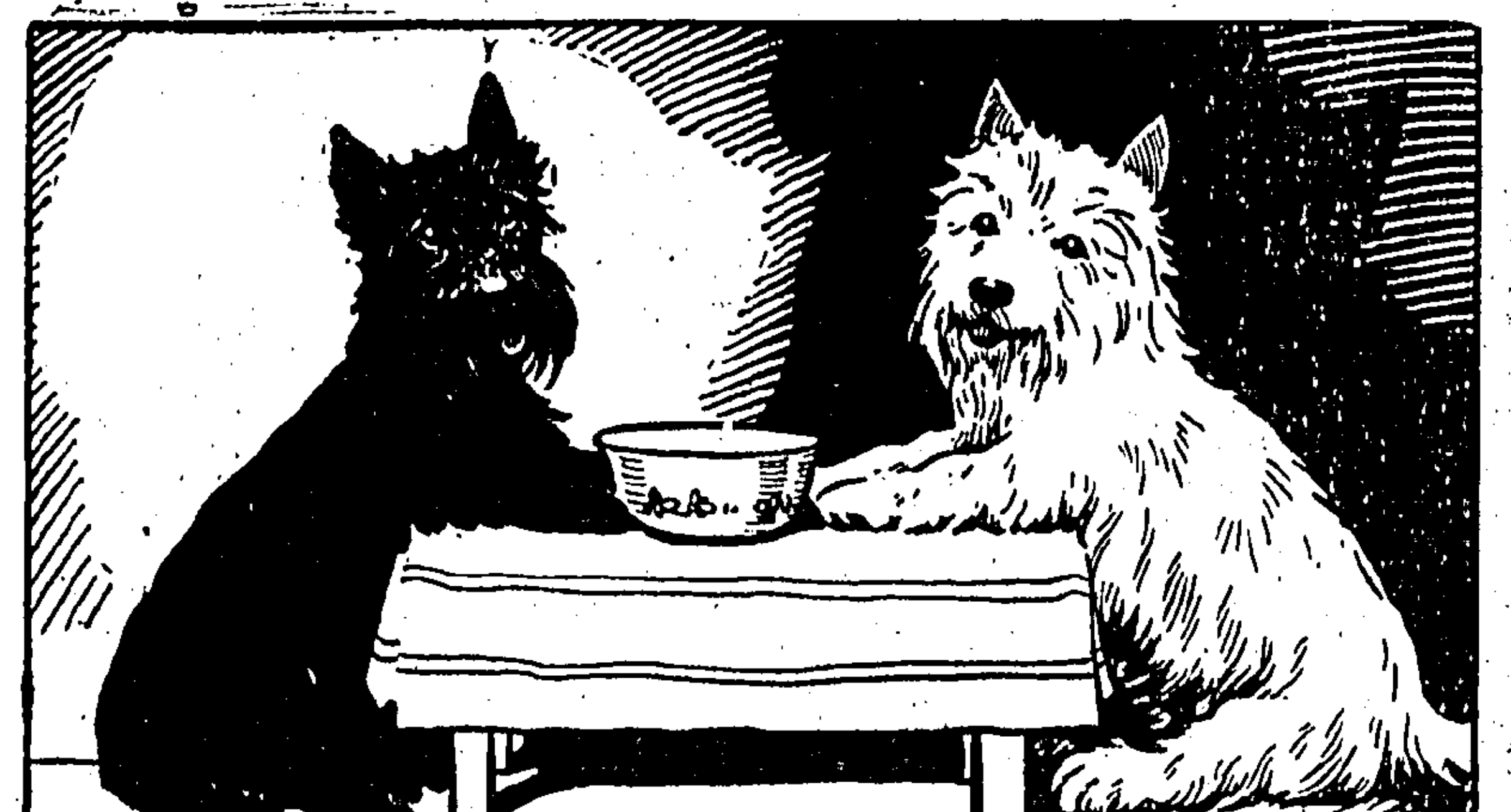
Goal-scorers for "Y" were Smith (3), Spare and Morgan, while Hitchcock scored the only goal for Royal Scots.

Juniors Win

In a friendly match at King's Park yesterday, St. Andrew's beat Y.M.C.A. Juniors by a goal scored by Dormer in the first half.



Miss A. Williams (Country Club) in action during last Sunday's golf match at Kowloon Golf Club. (Tong.)



Great Expectations—and Never Disappointed

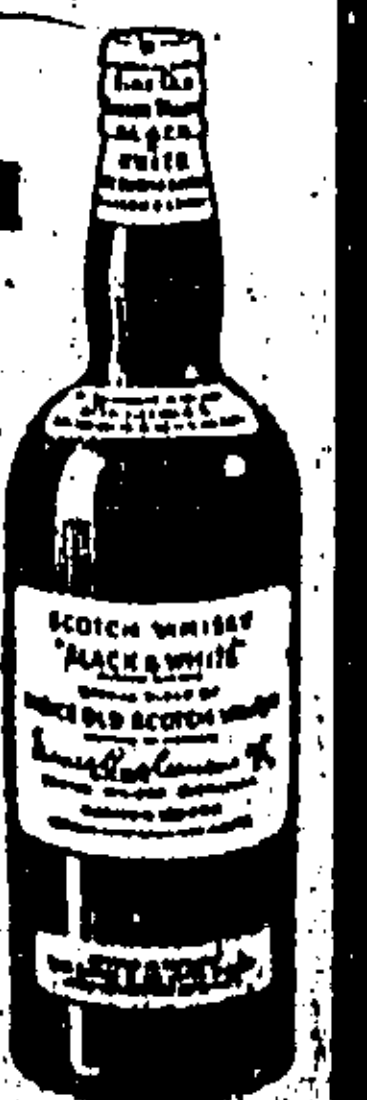
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HURRICANE CENTURY BY LAWRENCE OF NO AVAIL: UNIVERSITY WIN

Two centuries featured the junior friendly match in which University beat Club "A" XI by 7 wickets at Chater Road.

Lawrence scored 100 out of 130 in 85 minutes, hitting one six and 21 boundaries and taking part in a fourth wicket stand, with John Pearce, that added 76 runs in 25 minutes. In one over from Hong Choy he hit a six, five boundaries and a single.

It will be recalled that Lawrence scored 63 against Army last week, being associated with Knight in a first-wicket partnership of 115.

Faced with a total of 178 to win, University were 71 for 3 when Tam was joined by Hong Choy, and these two remained together in a match-winning stand of 122 runs, scored in 80 minutes. Hong Choy's contribution was 46, which included a six and not a few of his seven fours off Bateman.

Tam batted for 120 minutes for his 100 not out, hitting 16 boundaries.

CAREY BOWLS STEADILY

A. E. Carey, Police R.C. opening bat, stole the bowling honours yesterday in their match against Indian R.C. juniors at Happy Valley, taking 5 wickets for 23 runs. In spite of his fine effort, however, the Indians won by 33 runs.

F.A. Carey, Police R.C. XI				
M. R. Abbas, b Carey	11			
M. I. Razack, b Carey	14			
A. R. Sufiad, b Carey	13			
A. H. Ismail, b Carey	2			
A. el Arculli, b Carey	10			
H. T. Banna, c and b Carey	1			
M. B. Hassan, b Danbrowsky	1			
J. M. A. Rumjahn, not out	23			
Extras (B2, LB1, W1)	11			
Total				

Bowling Analysis				
O.	M.	R.	W.	
Pope	9.7	0	45	1
Corey	10	1	23	5
Danbrowsky	5	1	10	1
Atkin	2	0	18	0

POLICE R.C.

C. Pong, I.B.W., b Abbas				
J. Shepherd, c Sufiad, b Arculli	1			
H. Tyler, b Rumjahn	11			
E. Carey, b Abbas	10			
W. L. Clarke, run out	1			
H. Danbrowsky, c Razack, b Abbas	7			
A. el Arculli, b Rumjahn	4			
H. Matchless, not out	4			
A. Billingham, c and b Arculli	12			
Extras (B10, LB1, W1)	12			
Total (for 9 wickets)				

Bowling Analysis				
O.	M.	R.	W.	
Arculli	7.1	0	21	4
Abbas	10	4	28	4
Rumjahn	4	1	19	1

One player absent.

N. B. M. Whitley, the Central British Association hockey player, will not be playing this afternoon against Nomads in the Association Tournament as he is in hospital.



Miss Mabel Churn (K.G.C.), above, beat Miss Oel in last Sunday's golf match at Kowloon Golf Club. (Tong).

H.K.S.R.A. "A" WIN POLO CUP

H.K.S.R.A. "A" beat H.K.S.R.A. "B" by 12 goals to 2 in a somewhat one-sided K.O.Y.L.I. Polo Cup Final at Boundary Street yesterday.

Major Penfold (2), Major Wilson (5) and Lieut. Smith (5) scored for the winners, and Major Fisher scored both the "B" team goals.

The teams were:—

H.K.S.R.A. "A"—Lieut. L. Feldon (No. 4), Major R. Penfold (No. 3), Major W. Wilson (No. 2) and Lieut. B. R. Smith (No. 1).

H.K.S.R.A. "B"—Capt. H. Duncan (No. 4), Major C. Fisher (No. 3), Capt. J. Moore (No. 2) and Capt. A. Atkinson (No. 1).

The Final was preceded by a "Subsidiary Cup" game in which Fixed Defences beat Middlesex Regiment by four clear goals.

Major Hunt (2), Col. Way and Capt. Forrester were the scorers.

The teams were:—

Fixed Defences—Major W. Morgan (No. 4), Major E. Hunt (No. 3), Capt. B. Forrester (No. 2) and Col. J. D. Way (No. 1).

Middlesex Regt.—Lieut. F. Hancock (No. 4), Capt. T. Chutey (No. 3), Capt. W. Chutey (No. 2) and Capt. R. Cues (No. 1).

Bowlers Gain Ascendancy At Civil Service Two Bad Home Team Collapses

MURRAY SCORES 76 OUT OF 123

At Bookunpo, Royal Army Ordnance Corps drew with Royal Army Pay Corps in a friendly cricket match.

Ordinance were 92 for 6, but Standing and Emberson then added 45 runs for the seventh wicket and R.A.O.C. were able to declare at 153 for 7. Emberson hit seven fours in his 39 and Burns four in his 31.

Murray was the only Pay Corps batsman to make anything like a showing against the R.A.O.C. bowling, and he hit 12 fours in a fine innings of 76 not out.

R.A.O.C.				
Bridge, c and b Murray	16			
Stonor, I.B.W., b Lockhurst	9			
Pinder, b Lockhurst	9			
Reynolds, b Taylor	17			
Gardner, b Lockhurst	0			
Barnes, b Lockhurst	31			
Emberson, c Pinkney, b Lockhurst	26			
Standing, not out	39			
Adams, not out	2			
Extras (B10)	10			
Total (for 7 wickets, dec.)				

Thompson and Haskins did not bat.

Bowling Analysis				
O.	M.	R.	W.	
Taylor	6	0	29	1
Lockhurst	12	2	32	5
Murray	7	0	52	1
Benford	3	0	14	0
Chalcraft	2	0	10	0

R.A.P.C.

Murray, not out				
Lockhurst, b Haskins	7			
Chalcraft, c Pinder, b Standing	2			
Hemmings, b Emberson	10			
Taylor, c Emberson, b Haskins	10			
Whitton, c Barnes, b Standing	16			
Benford, b Standing	4			
Pinkney, b Gardner	0			
Stone, not out	0			
Extras (B7)	7			
Total (for 7 wickets)				

Cardon and Smart did not bat.

Bowling Analysis				
O.	M.	R.	W.	
Standing	7	2	25	3
Haskins	8	1	37	2
Emberson	6	0	41	1
Reynolds	1	0	7	0
Gardner	1	0	6	1

Hung Returns To Form: Baker Bowls Steadily

AT THE VALLEY, Kowloon Cricket Club beat Civil Service Cricket Club by 2 wickets in a friendly cricket match yesterday.

Civil Service started badly against the bowling of F. R. Zimmern and three wickets fell for only 37. The score then went to 51, only for a collapse to set in and three further wickets fell without addition to the score.

MACAULEY 6 FOR 1 AGAINST ST. JOSEPH'S

Playing at home Diocesan Boys' School beat St. Joseph's College by three wickets in a match that was featured by the deadly bowling of J. Macauley, who returned the five figures of 7 for 14 in 6.1 overs.

In his sixth over Macauley took three wickets and with the first ball of the seventh caught and bowled Holland to finish off the St. Joseph's innings with the total at 46. As the result of his last 3.1 overs he had 6 for 11.

Rennie Ho made a gallant effort to stop the procession when his side took first place of the wickets. He had three boundaries in his 15, scored out of 24, and was the only batsman to reach double figures for his side.

Things did not go any too well for D.B.S. until Whitfield and Ebrahim came together in a match-winning stand. The former hit five boundaries in his 22, scored out of 25 in 23 minutes, while Ebrahim's 32 out of 61 in 55 minutes included three fours.

Asome (6 for 45) took his last three wickets at a cost of only four runs.

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H. Ho, b J. Macauley

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M. M. Samy, b Ebrahim

D. M. Omar, not out

Extras (B10, LB1, WB2)

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J. Macauley	6.1	2	14	7
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KWONG WAH COUNTER CLUB'S KICK-AND-RUSH TACTICS TO REGISTER THEIR FIRST SUCCESS

At Boundary Street yesterday, Kwong Wah defeated Club by the odd goal in seven in First Division of the Football League, the match being played as a Charity game in aid of the Hong Kong Refugee and Social Welfare Council, under the patronage of H.E. Major-General A. E. Grasett.

Club dominated the game with their robust play, but they could not cope with the fast Kwong Wah forwards, who scored on each of their four visits to Club's goal area. Fowler, in the centre, played a hard game and scored a fine hat-trick, but his play in mid-field left a lot to be desired, and at times he spoiled good movements by careless kicking and lack of ball control. Strange and Eardley covered each other well, but did not get enough support from the halves, who constantly left the opposing wingers unmarked. Odell rarely looked safe in goal, and his handling was very awkward. One of Kwong Wah's goals was definitely due to his poor play.

Without Farrow, the half-back line was very weak and showed absolutely no understanding with the rest of the team. Sidener played his worst game this season, while Upton, at centre-half, had little idea of marking, giving Chin Chi-fun far too much scope. Had the centre-forward been marked better, Kwong Wah would not have scored their goals. Gow worked hard throughout and occasionally showed signs of brilliance, his clearing being very effective.

Kick-And-Rush
The forwards relied solely on kick-and-rush tactics, but apart from the efforts of Fowler they did not have much to recommend them. On the right-wing, had absolutely no idea of playing in his position and rarely made a progressive move. Scott, his inside man, gave the winger plenty of good passes and tried hard all the time to get the forwards working together. Dickford and Hopkinson, on the left-wing, were a far better combination and often had the Kwong Wah defenders running in circles. The winger especially scored many fine passes that could easily have been brought to account.

By their victory yesterday Kwong Wah left the field for the first time this season with both a second-half "fade-out" resulted in 30th Heavy Battery, R.A., being swamped to the tune of 9 goals to nil in their Second Division game against South China on the Caroline Hill ground. Battery held the Chinese fairly well in the first half, the latter crossing over with the score 2-0 in their favour.

South China had a much faster team than the Gunners, and the fast-moving Chinese forwards would have established an early supremacy but for the good play of Guy in the pivotal berth. The centre-half tackled with vigour and was not beaten in skill by his opposing man, though he might have placed his passes more accurately, a fault attributable also to the other half-backs, Woolridge and Park, and also to the wingers.

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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AND GOAL-SCORERS

FIRST DIVISION	
St. Joseph's	4
A. Leonard	White, Blake, Jackson, Ellsley (pen.)
South China	3
Chun Tak-fai	R. Scotts
Lee Wai-tong	
Kwong Wah	4
Chun Chi-fun	Club
Cheuk Shek-kam	Fowler
Wong Kin-chung	

SECOND DIVISION	
R. Scotts	0
Sing Tao	2
Tam Wing-chung	Gibson
South China	0
Chun Chi-fun	30th Hvy. Bty
Chun Tak-fai	
Lee Wai-tong	
Lee Yau-leung	
Kwong Wah	1
Kit Chee	Chung
Lee Yau-leung	
Kowloon	0
Middlesex	5
Jennings	2
Phelps	2
Mohr	

THIRD DIVISION	
R.A.M.C.	0
20th Hvy. Bty	2
Sharp	Cross
International	2
R.A.F.	0
Tobin	1
Shell	1
12th R.A.	1
Mehta	
25th R.A.	2
Signal	1
Bradford	

League Tables To Date

FIRST DIVISION	
	Goals
S. China	11 8 2 1 33 12 18
Sing Tao	10 8 1 1 27 13 17
Enater	10 7 2 1 32 15 16
Middlesex	11 5 1 4 28 22 11
Kowloon	9 4 2 3 14 15 10
R. Navy	10 2 4 4 28 27 8
R. Scotts	10 3 1 6 19 26 7
Police	10 3 1 6 18 23 7
St. Joseph's	10 2 6 13 26 6
Chun Tak-fai	8 2 6 16 30 4
Kwong Wah	10 2 2 19 32 4
SECOND DIVISION	
	Goals
R.A.S.C.	10 1 1 6 16 19
R.E.	10 8 2 0 40 11 18
Middlesex	12 6 2 4 15 19 18
S. China	11 7 3 1 46 19 14
Sing Tao	11 6 2 3 29 16 14
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Club	10 1 1 8 12 58 3
Police	11 1 1 9 13 46 3
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THIRD DIVISION	
	Goals
R.A.F.	12 10 1 1 36 14 21
24th R.A.	12 7 2 3 25 14 18
36th R.A.	12 6 1 5 38 16 13
R.A.M.C.	14 6 1 4 38 16 13
International	11 5 2 4 21 21 12
35th R.A.	11 5 2 4 22 21 12
12th R.A.	12 4 4 1 19 12 12
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R.A.S.C.	11 3 1 7 12 30 7
Shell	12 1 3 8 37 5 7
A.S.A.	10 0 0 10 5 45 0

SHELL ARE STEADILY IMPROVING

At Kowloon, Shell gained a well-merited point when they drew with 12th Battery, each side scoring on one occasion after a goalless first half, although Gunners may count themselves very fortunate as Shell had the majority of the game and a little more steadiness in front of goal would have gained for them maximum points.

As each game progresses Shell improve tremendously and are now combining into a splendid combination which will give the majority of the sides in the League close games, if they can only field the same team each week. They have a new acquisition in Ng Tse-tat in goal, his capabilities being in the foreground. He has displayed cool judgment and his covering and positional play were a delight to watch.

The backs Ho Wing and Lau Wing combined cleverly and resiliently with powerful and well-placed clearances, whilst the half-back line, in which Lau Woon was outstanding, spoiled many Gunner raids and rarely gave the soldier forwards opportunities to shoot. The forward line showed distinct improvement and made openings by clever movements, Sousa and Tse Tok-tung combining splendidly, the former manoeuvring into position to test Billington on many occasions.

The Gunners had a capable custodian in Billington, who cleverly relieved many dangerous situations by keen anticipation, whilst Taylor and Cooke played well, though often in difficulties through having to keep a close watch on Sousa. The intermediate-line was good, although Miller in the pivotal position, was slightly below form and was ragged in his distribution. None of the forwards were impressive, only McNulty shining in a disjointed quartette. Thackeray tried hard, but received poor support from the remainder of the inside forwards.

Miss Rose Kinnahan, Indian R.C. lady tennis player, is getting a number of the cures of St. John Ambulance Brigade to take up the name. She uses her coaching of Sundays, and her pupils are showing

SOUTH CHINA SEIZE CHANCES AND BEAT ROYALS 3-0

Soldier Forwards Lack Finish FRASER GIVES GREAT DISPLAY AT LEFT-BACK: WINGERS BELOW FORM

SOUTH CHINA AND ROYAL SCOTS FIGURED IN A HARD, CLOSE-FOUGHT FIRST DIVISION LEAGUE FOOTBALL ENCOUNTER AT CAROLINE HILL YESTERDAY, THE CHINESE WINNING BY THREE GOALS TO NIL AFTER ESTABLISHING A 2-0 LEAD EARLY IN THE FIRST HALF. SCOTS DESERVED A BETTER FATE, AS SOUTH CHINA, THOUGH THEIR SCORING EFFORTS WERE WELL EXECUTED, WERE NOT SUPERIOR TO THE EXTENT OF THREE CLEAR GOALS.

Royals were served by a good back division, who kicked hard and steadily, and kept their forwards well supplied throughout. The attack, however, lacked the incisiveness necessary to penetrate the Chinese last line of defence, and though the inside men did some really good work in manoeuvring themselves into an attacking position, they were poorly supported by the wingers. Consequently most of the Royals' movements developed down the centre of the field. The inside men were sufficiently virile to keep the South China defence constantly on the alert, and there were occasions when they had the backs shaky, but were unable to produce the finishing touch.

Chinese forwards had less of the ball than their opponents, but made better use of their chances. They were more certain in their methods, moving precisely, and finding each other with well-placed passes, but many of their promising movements came to a sudden stop, for, up against a back division which matched their every move, they played just as well as they were allowed to.

Fowler, in the left-back position, gave a sterling performance, rarely putting a foot wrong, and his strong, first-time clearances time and again averted movements that spelled danger. He had a good understanding with Nye-Smith, who, if less sure, played equally as solidly as his partner. Chow Chum-chi, up against Fraser's direct methods, was for periods able to do little but wonder about, not always even near the ball. Nye-Smith pulled out some good football in his tactics with Lee Wai-tong, and shared honours with the veteran.

A solid display was put up by Falconer, who played hard and well in the centre-half berth, and though often caught between two equally opponents in Chun Tak-fai and Lee Wai-tong, allowed few movements to develop in mid-field. Lee found the attentions of the centre-half irksome at times, and on a number of occasions he was robbed of possession almost as soon as he had received the ball. In attack, the Royals' pivot was less convincing, even though he kept Hossack supplied with the ball, and he had been turned to account had the wingers been up to take the passes sent out to their flank by the centre-forward.

With the exception of corners, very few centres came from the Royals' wingers, and Hossack had less scoring chances than the approach work warranted. He was not afraid to take a chance, with the few real opportunities that came his way, on one occasion sending in a stinger from the Kowloon end, which did well to reach.

Lee Wai-tong was less in the picture than usual, finding the goal defensive play of the Royals' backs more than a simple problem. Well held by Falconer and Nye-Smith, Lee came into prominence only on rare occasions, but was always dangerous when on the move. It was good approach work on his part that enabled Chun Tak-fai to net in the last five minutes.

Lau Hing-chol and Lau Chung-sang had a firm grip on the soldier wingers, Garrie and Gilroy, but Lam Tak-po had a more difficult assignment in dealing with Hossack, who kept him on the move.

Bankier brought off some smashing saves in the Royals' goal, but at the same time did not give an impression of real safety, his handling leaving a goal to be desired. In the other goal Tam Kwun-kon, though kept constantly on the alert, had less handling to do, few real shots going his way.

Too Good Backs
Tsang Chung-wan and Tse Kam-hung positioned themselves well in the full-back positions and, though at times harassed by the Royals' inside-forwards, remained cool, and cleared their lines before the opposing attack could get into a shooting position.

Royals had the honour of drawing first blood when Garrie netted, but the goal was disallowed. Within a short period Lee Tak-ki centred for Chun Tak-fai to net the ball over Bankier's hands, and South China went further ahead when Lee Wai-tong netted. Royals saw most of the game in the second period, but were unable to reduce their arrears, and in the last few minutes Lee Wai-tong broke away and placed the ball beautifully for Chun Tak-fai to score.

ANNUAL DINNER
The Annual Dinner of Hong Kong Football Association was held last night at Hotel Cecil and was attended by a large number of referees and members of Football Association.

Speakers during the evening were Messrs. H. Beard, W. E. Hollands, D. Kossick, W. Chea and Lieut. Col. S. Hinchcliffe.

Misunderstanding

Owing to a misunderstanding, the game scheduled to take place at Soekampoon between 30th and 7th Batteries was not played yesterday. It will be played tomorrow on the same ground, kick off at 2.30 p.m.

K. WAH MANAGE TO DRAW

At Boundary Street, Kwong Wah drew with Kit Chee, as the result of a last-minute goal, each side scoring once after Kit Chee had led at the interval.

The game was very poor and bad passing and weak kicking was the order of the day, so much so that several older spectators offered to go on the field and live the game up. Unfortunately their offer was not accepted.

Kit Chee had far more of the game and deserved to win by a large margin, but their forwards, although playing good football in mid-field, could not get the ball into the goal. Their wingers were badly off form and rarely sent over a good pass.

Fok Yui-wah was a good leader and combined well with Cheung Chung-fun and Wan Chuek-sun to make a very dangerous trio. The halves were very slow on the ball and were constantly out of position. It was fortunate that the backs were playing soundly and rarely let a ball pass.

POULSON IMPRESSES IN DEBUT

At Kowloon, Middlesex beat Kowloon by five goals to nil after leading by three goals at the interval.

Middlesex were superior in all departments and fully deserved to win by that margin. The halves, however, did not play as well together as could be expected. Overly being the weak link, but for all that the line never allowed the Kowloon forwards to settle down. Fick of the forwards was Poulson, a newcomer to the team, who, besides netting two fine goals, combined well with the rest of the line. Jennings was rarely in the picture, being well watched by Gopard.

Suter certainly saved Kowloon from a heavier defeat. By cool resourcefulness and good positioning he saved several difficult shots, especially two hard ones from Jennings. Canosa tried hard at centre-half, but never fully had the measure of Jennings, and the forward line was too small physically to play with success against the heavy Middlesex backs.

Smith was called on to save some good shots in the Middlesex goal and handled coolly and cleanly, but he lacked the support of his backs, who were very unstable and frequently out of position. Both Medical wing-halves, Collins and Florence, led their forwards with well-placed passes and Bennett, in the pivotal position, tackled well and took good care of Sharp, the Gunners' centre-forward. Pym, on the right-wing, was the greatest threat to the Gunners, he broke through on many occasions to fetch across some well placed centres, and, with Bright, proved a very formidable combination.

Gunners' defence was very shaky, but in the intermediate line Tsang Sik-hong worked hard and did much to stem the Medical onslaughts. Cross and Owen were the chief schemers in the Gunners' attack, the latter's centres always providing a source of anxiety.

POINTS FOR MEDICALS
R.A.M.C. scored a 4-2 victory over 20th Heavy Battery at Chatham Road after leading 3-1 at the interval.

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WEAKENED SAINTS XI NO MATCH FOR KOWLOON

A very poor game was witnessed yesterday at Happy Valley, where Kowloon defeated St. Joseph's by 4 goals to 1 after leading at the interval by three clear goals.

St. Joseph's fielded a weakened team. Hussain, Gomez, Santos, and Muller being away on Volunteer duties and their substitutes were unable to produce the required standard of football. Kowloon's all-round superiority was never in dispute, and they gave a pleasing display of fast, bustling tactics, but, despite this, the game was played in a very scrappy manner on a pitch that is not conducive to good football. Ulrich was the pick of the Kowloon defenders, being safe and steady, while his powerful clearances often turned defence into attack. He played behind a half-back line that was always enterprising and forceful.

Forwards Subdued

Hutchinson and Ellis were more than a match for the St. Joseph's forwards who, throughout the game, seldom menaced their opponents' goal. If Ellis was in a rather quiet mood, Hutchinson more than made up for him, for the latter was always a source of trouble to the Saints' defenders. The combination of Blake, Jackson, and Hutchinson was the best on the field and was responsible for most of Kowloon's attacks. Blake was the live-wire of the forward line, and his efforts, although lacking in skill and polish, gave the opposing defenders an anxious time. He was easily master of Bowen and Leonard, who tried hard to subdue his high-spirited attacks.

In St. Joseph's defence, Bowen was sadly below form. He was hesitant with his clearances and was slow to recover when beaten for possession. Tsang had a lot to do and brought off some good saves, but his handling of ground shots lacked confidence. The half-backs were completely out of the picture, particularly in the first half, when they could do nothing right. The greater part of their play was defensive, with the result that the forwards had to forage for their opportunities, and were consequently not seen to advantage throughout the whole game. Macdonald worked like a Trojan at centre-forward, but did not receive any support for his efforts. He was quite the best of a very weak line.

Score In First Minute

Kowloon opened the scoring in the first minute when, following a movement on the right-wing, Truscott centred for White to run in and tap into the net. Shortly after Blake followed up a free kick and drove the ball well out of reach of Tsang. Jackson netted a few minutes before half time following a movement by Ellisley. The second half saw a definite improvement in St. Joseph's team and A. Leonard scored with a beautiful shot after Macdonald had been fouled on the edge of the penalty area. Almost on full time Kowloon were awarded a penalty, and Ellisley made no mistake with the "spot kick".

ST. JOSEPH'S—Tsang; Bowen, Ali; Runjahn, D. Leonard, Lau Wing-kong; Cruz, Costa, Macdonald, Chan and A. Leonard.

KOWLOON—Lapley; Humphrey, Ulrich; Maxwell, Ellis, Hutchison; Truscott, White, Blake, Jackson and Ellisley.

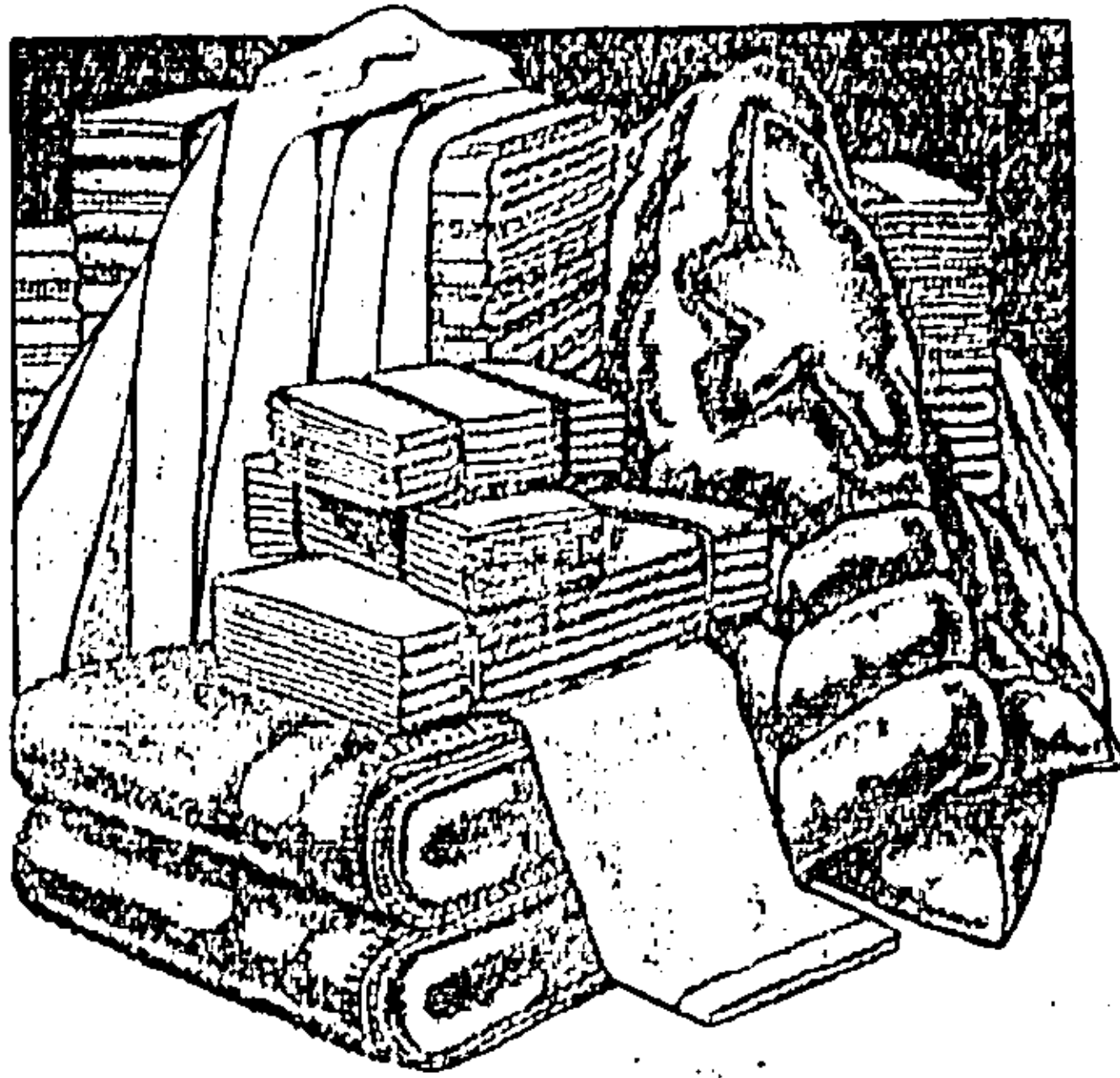
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BADOGGIO RESIGNATION SHOCKS ROME

Secret Of Request To King Victor Emmanuel Well Kept Enjoyed Immense Prestige

THE RESIGNATION OF MARSHAL BADOGGIO AS SUPREME COMMANDER OF THE ITALIAN ARMED FORCES PRODUCED A VERITABLE SENSATION IN ROME, ACCORDING TO THE ROME CORRESPONDENT OF THE SWISS NEWSPAPER "TRIBUNE DE GENEVE" YESTERDAY.

The correspondent adds that Marshal Badoglio, as the greatest soldier in Italy, enjoyed immense prestige and the respect and affection of the entire nation.

CONTRAST IN MORALE

The capture of Santi Quaranta and the advance of the Greek army to the north of the town were contrasted in the British press yesterday as showing the united effort and high morale of the Greek native against the undoubted bewilderment of the Italian people at the resignation of Marshal Badoglio "at his own request."

The latest Greek communique is noteworthy for its restrained tone when it says: "On the left front our troops, having overcome enemy resistance on the River Bistritza, crossed the river, occupied Santi Quaranta and pushed our lines further north. The retreating enemy burned and pillaged the town."

On the remainder of the front the fight was continued with success. Material falling into our hands included two guns."

The Badoglio resignation is taken in London as tacit recognition that Greek claims are more likely to err on the side of understatement than exaggeration.

Depressing Effect

It is generally felt that the loss to Italy of one of her most able and experienced commanders, who was largely responsible for the success in Abyssinia and who had gained a national reputation among his fellow countrymen, must have a depressing effect on a people who had not been too anxious for war of any kind and will bring realization that a military commander of undoubted experience like Badoglio is out of sympathy with the Fascist political policy which plunged Italy into the Greek conflict without proper strategic preparation.

A shrewd observer in London gives the following warning to Badoglio: "Remembering the untimely end of the late Marshal Faido, whose views on international policy had some resemblance to his own, he would certainly do well to avoid going up in aeroplanes." —British Wireless.

NEW JAPANESE NAVAL COMMANDER

Vice-Admiral Jushiro Hosogaya has been appointed supreme commander of the Japanese Fleet in South China waters, replacing Vice-Admiral Umataro Tanimoto, who has been appointed to the General Staff.

The outgoing commander will return to Tokyo on Dec. 12 and will be received in audience by the Emperor to report on the activities of the Japanese fleet in central China waters. —Reuter.

BIRTH

RODRIGUES — At the French Hospital on 6th December, 1940, to Cynthia, wife of Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, a son.

DEATH

GONSALVES — On 7th December, 1940, at 5.15 p.m. at St. Joseph's Building, Maria das Mercedes Umbelina Constancia Gonsalves (Sister Mercy), aged 74 years. Funeral will leave St. Joseph's Building, Block A, No. 1, at 3.45 p.m. to-day, passing the Monument at 5 p.m. No flowers by request.

The correspondent says Marshal Badoglio a week ago asked King Victor Emmanuel that he be relieved of his functions but the secret was well kept.

Meanwhile Turkey is smiling over the resignation, which is interpreted in Ankara as an admission that the war in Albania is going very badly indeed.

Until the resignation the impression in Turkey was that Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, was being made the scapegoat for Italy's unfortunate Greek adventure.

To Divert Criticism

Accordingly it is thought possible that Mussolini has forced the resignation of Marshal Badoglio to divert criticism from the Fascist regime.

Repercussions of the resignation are awaited with great interest. Ankara radio yesterday mentioned the controversy between the Italian army and the Fascist Party.

According to this report the Army did not want to enter the European war but Mussolini thought the struggle against Britain and France would be short.

In Tight Corner

Italy was not ready for a long war and so is now in a tight corner.

The resignation is also linked with the recent talks between the German and Italian commanders-in-chief at Innsbruck.

Ankara radio pointed out that the Italian people all along have been opposed to fighting a war alongside of Germany.

Once A Week

The announcer also ironically commented on the fact that Mussolini changes his commanders once a week.

The Italian forces have had three commanders in three weeks in the fighting in Albania.

An American radio commentator, broadcasting from Berlin, said the resignation was most interesting as Marshal Badoglio is known to be a staunch monarchist and a close friend of King Victor Emmanuel.

He is recorded as having said during the march on Rome: "Give me a battalion and I'll clear these black-shirted scum in half an hour." —Reuter.

Differences between Mussolini and Marshal Badoglio are reported and it is also reported that many meetings between the two have taken place recently have proved of a stormy nature, with each blaming the other for the failure of the campaign against Greece. —Reuter.

VICHY DISMISSAL

The Vichy Government has dismissed two more important colonial officials.

One is the Governor-General of Madagascar and the other the High Commissioner for the Cameroons, M. Richard Brunet. The latter has already joined the Free French Forces and has just been appointed to head the colonial department at General de Gaulle's London headquarters.

Meanwhile French India is also supporting Free France. Yesterday a resolution was passed in Pondicherry pledging wholehearted support to General de Gaulle. —Reuter.

AMERICANS IN AIR FORCE

Over 2,500 United States citizens were serving with the Canadian Air Force, stated Mr. Leonard Brockington, Counselor of the Canadian Cabinet's war committee, speaking in New York yesterday. —Reuter.



A number of German prisoners of war—left a London station recently for an Internment Camp. Photo shows them entraining. (Copyright, Fox.)

NAZI NIGHT RAIDS SLACKEN

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Yesterday's Air Ministry communique on the nightly Nazi air raids shows that Britain had a relatively quiet night.

London had an alarm in the evening, but no raiders visited the region of the capital after midnight.

Bristol received yet another alarm, and the main weight of the German bombing was concentrated on the West Coast port.

The scale was, however, much reduced and little damage was done.

The official reports state that few casualties were caused, though they included some killed. —International News Service.

No Bombs On London

Although London had an alert on Friday night no bombs were reported and the raid was over well before midnight.

Bristol was again attacked and an Air Ministry communique stated that such enemy activity as there was was not on a heavy scale and was concentrated against Bristol. The attack there was also over before midnight.

The communique adds: "Many incendiary bombs were dropped and some serious fires started but owing to the prompt and efficient action of the fire fighting and other A.R.P. services these were quickly brought under control."

Damage was done to dwelling houses and public buildings and numbers of people were killed and others injured.

A few bombs were dropped elsewhere at various points in the southern part of England and in South Wales. Some damage was done and there were a few casualties, including some people killed."

South Coast Attack

Agency reports of the raid on a south coast town show that although lasting some hours it did not assume serious proportions.

The A.A. barrage was intense. No high explosive bombs were dropped but some damage was done by incendiary bombs to shops and private houses although the fires were soon under control. —British Wireless.

BOMBS AT HOLYROOD

It is now revealed that bombs have fallen in the grounds of Windsor Castle during recent air raids.

The Royal Lodge suffered some damage but there were no casualties.

A bomb has also fallen in the lawn of the Palace of Holyrood House, in Edinburgh, historically famous for its connection with Mary Queen of Scots.

The bones of Scottish kings and queens were disturbed when the bomb fell close to the ruined Abbey Chapel and some of the Palace windows were broken. —British Wireless.

BROADCAST BY DUKE OF WINDSOR

Americans yesterday heard a radio broadcast by the Duke of Windsor thanking them for the help they have given to Britain.

The Duke said he was much touched by all that Americans were doing to relieve suffering in Britain, and paid a special tribute to the American Red Cross. —Reuter.

Calm Athens Statement On Triumph

THE GREEK OCCUPATION of Santi Quaranta was confirmed in a communique issued in Athens yesterday, which says the Greek troops overcame the resistance of the enemy on the River Bistritza, passed the river and occupied the town of Santi Quaranta and advanced their lines further north.

The retreating enemy burned the town after pillaging it. A half-submerged destroyer, bombed recently by R.A.F. planes (which scored two direct hits) remained in the harbour.

On the rest of the front fighting continued successfully for the Greek troops.

Important news of the fighting was contained in a broadcast from Ankara radio yesterday morning which declared that the important Albanian oil wells were being shelled by Greek guns.

An Italian correspondent yesterday paid a tribute to Greek anti-aircraft fire, saying the guns were mobile and well handled.

The gunners were trained by a French mission sent to Greece by General Weygand a year ago, the correspondent says, adding that Polish planes used by the Greek air force are rapidly being replaced by British Hurricanes.

BRITAIN'S NEW ARMY

Some indication of the striking power of the new British Army was given by a War Office expert in an address in London yesterday.

The keynote of the organisation the tank and a new type of gun, and tactical training is based on a close study of German methods in the Flanders campaign.

Many of the devices of the Germans have been copied and improved upon.

"We can now beat them at their own game."

Since the collapse of France said the War Office spokesman, the munitions industry has been turning out tanks and guns on a scale scarcely believable, many of them of a type never before used by the British Army in battle.

Some of the tank types are far superior to anything the Germans have yet put into the field. —Reuter.

BRITAIN'S WAR SAVINGS

It was announced in London yesterday that the people of Britain in the past year have subscribed £400,000,000 in National Savings. —Reuter.

SPIRIT OF ENGLAND IN RAIDS

A British general yesterday paid a public tribute to the civilians of Britain for their superb behaviour under Nazi air raids.

The speaker was General Sir Robert Finlayson, G.O.C., Western Command, who delivered an address at a war artist's exhibition at Liverpool.

General Finlayson said he had been in London during the big attacks.

Fires broke out, houses and shops were down and it seemed that only devastation reigned.

Yet Londoners remained calm and helped one another while bombs were dropping. They were brave and courageous to the core.

Their spirit amazed him, and he found the same thing in Liverpool and Coventry.

"Our enemies," General Finlayson concluded, "are up against the indomitable spirit of England." —Reuter.

CANADIAN OBSERVER IN VICHY

A Canadian diplomat has been appointed as observer to the Vichy Government, it was announced yesterday.

He is M. Dupuis, formerly First Secretary of the Canadian Legation in Paris, who has been in London since the collapse of France.

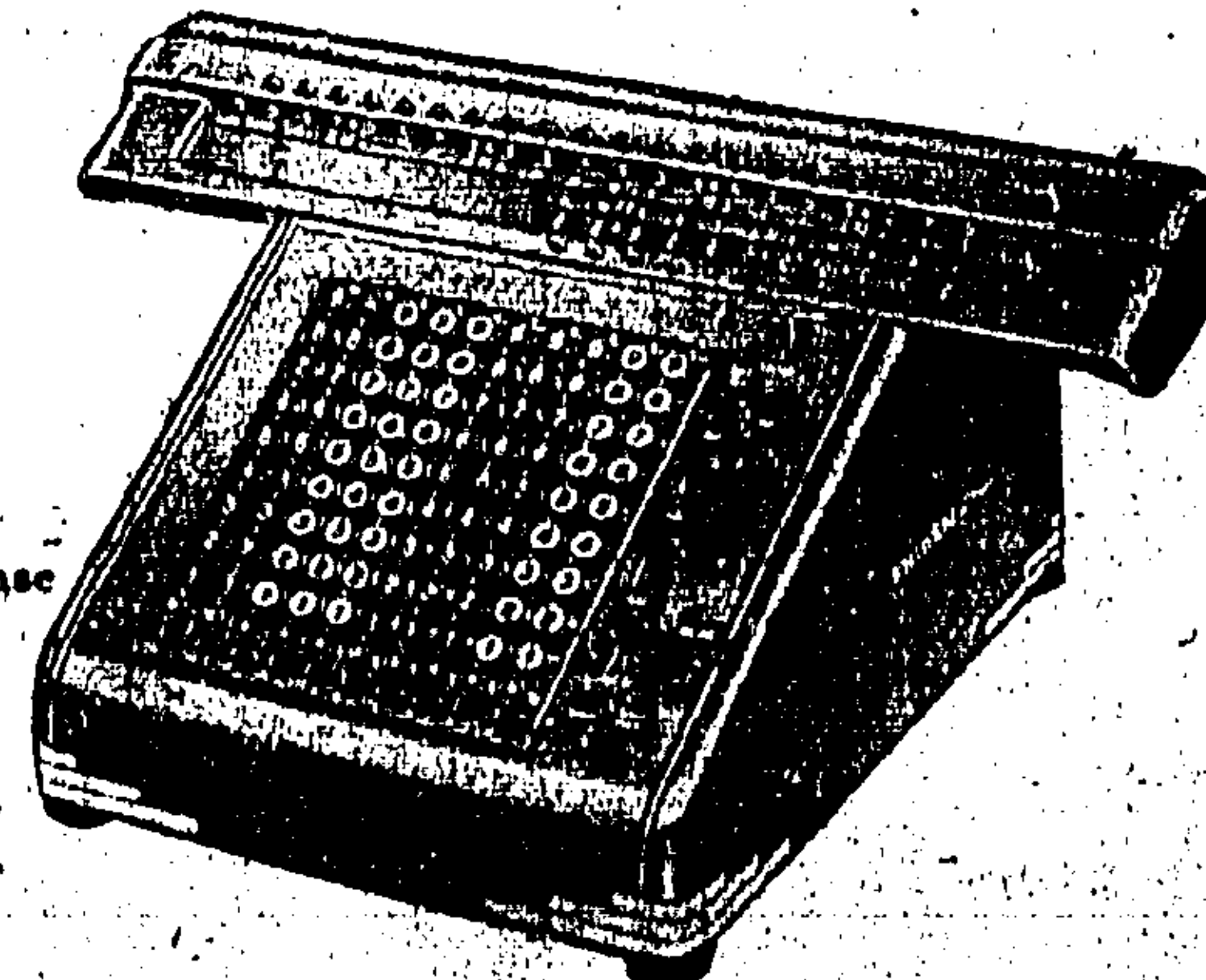
M. Dupuis has not been officially accredited to Vichy, but will give Marshal Petain a true picture of British and of the image forces which are arrayed against Germany. —Reuter.

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Women's Friendly Golf Competition



Women members of the Country Club, Sheungshui, and of the Kowloon Golf Club met in a friendly match last Sunday at Kowloon Club. The result was a tie. Here on this page are some of the competitors.

At the extreme top left is Mrs. W. S. Hillier (K.G.C.) who beat Mrs. A. J. Kew. Centre right is Miss Mabel Churn (K.G.C.) who played Miss Oei to win. Mrs. W. Kershaw who tied with Miss A. Sequeira is shown at top right, and Mrs. B. C. Stott (K.G.C.), winner in the match against Miss A. Williams, is at bottom left. In the group at lower right are all those who took part in the competition.

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